



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: David Twa, County Administrator
Date: February 27, 2018

Subject: Veterans in the Arts Initiative Grant

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Administrator, or designee, to apply for and accept funding in an amount up to \$11,000 from the California State Arts Council for the Veterans Initiative in the Arts program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

If approved, the grant will require a 100% County match of which 50% can be an in-kind match. The maximum general fund impact would be \$5,500 and will be included in the FY 2018-19 Recommended Budget for the Arts Commission.

BACKGROUND:

The Veterans Initiative in the Arts (VIA) program is rooted in the California Arts Council's (CAC) desire to increase equity, access, and opportunities for veterans to participate in quality arts programming that is sensitive and responsive to their unique experiences. The VIA program provides project and partnership support for State-Local Partners (SLPs) to reach veterans, active military, and their families. VIA serves to enrich the lives of veterans through arts programming that is sensitive and responsive to their unique experiences.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/27/2018** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor

ABSENT: Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 27, 2018

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

In 2014, the County as the State-Local-Partner in Contra Costa, responded to the CAC VIA pilot grant opportunity with a proposal to develop the AboutFace: Building Veterans Self-understanding through Self-expression project. After a successful AboutFace pilot project in FY 15-16, the County successfully competed for the grant again in FY 16-17 and FY 17-18. Approval of this request will allow the County to compete for a new FY 18/19 grant to present 6 workshops in late spring 2019.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The County will not compete for the grant and be able to provide AboutFace project painting workshops to veterans in FY 2018-19.