



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department
Date: July 24, 2018

Subject: Weatherization Contract Amendment - Water Heaters Express

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to execute a contract amendment with Robert Gurule (dba Water Heaters Express) (C47537) to extend the term from July 31, 2018 through December 31, 2019 and increase the payment limit by \$100,000 to a new payment limit of \$450,000, for the purchase or repair of water heaters.

FISCAL IMPACT:

100% State and Federal Weatherization Program Funds for a variety of weatherization projects throughout the County. No impact on the County General Fund.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) has partnered with the Employment and Human Services Department (EHSD) for the past 20 years to provide energy-saving home improvements to low income families throughout unincorporated Contra Costa County, as well as the County's 19 cities. This funding is provided by State and federal grant programs including, but not limited to, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), the Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP), the

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR	<input type="checkbox"/> RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **07/24/2018** ☒ 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
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: July 24, 2018

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

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Department of Energy (DOE), and the Cap and Trade Auction Funds for the Low Income Weatherization Program (LIWP) to reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

With these grants, the Weatherization Program may provide homes with hot water heaters, furnaces, refrigerators, microwaves, doors, windows, LED (light emitting diode) light bulbs, LED night lights, Tier 2 Advanced power strips, occupancy sensors, weather-stripping, ceiling fans, and attic insulation.

Homes receive a blower door test (a diagnostic tool to locate and correct air infiltration), and homes with gas appliances receive a combustion appliance safety test that checks for carbon monoxide gas leakage. Homes with gas appliances are provided with a carbon monoxide alarm.

Many contracts with current Weatherization Program vendors providing services are expiring July 31, 2018. The most recent amendments were approved by the Board on August 1, 2017.

Under its grant funding contract, the Weatherization Program is required to meet minimum unit production goals (number of homes weatherized) by the end of its annual grant contract term. Failure to maintain the required production goals may result in the State reallocating our share of funding to other Counties and could jeopardize our future funding. These contracts will allow the Weatherization Program to have ready access to water heaters and other necessary supplies and equipment to weatherize homes and meet production goals.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

A denial would prevent DCD Weatherization Program from replacing or repairing of water heaters.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

Approval of this item will enable the Weatherization Program to purchase materials necessary to provide home energy efficiency improvements to low-income households, which reduces living expenses and improves comfort and quality of life for children residing in the households served. This supports outcomes Nos. 3 and 5 established in the Children's Report Card: (3) Families are economically self-sufficient; and (5) Families are safe, stable and nurturing.