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Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: April 9, 2019

Subject: California Department of Food and Agriculture, Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to enter an agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to accept coupons with a total cash value of \$25,000 for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program for the period April 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal Impact. There is no transfer of funds between the County and CDFA. The State funds these coupons directly, and the County distributes them.

BACKGROUND:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture, Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) provides California low-income seniors with coupons (aka check booklets) that can be used to purchase fresh, nutritious fruits and vegetables, honey and herbs from authorized, certified Farmers' Markets.

Employment and Human Services (EHSD), Area

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/09/2019** ☒ 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: April 9, 2019

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

By: Stephanie Mello, Deputy

Contact: Elaine Burres,
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cc:

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Agency on Agency (AAA), will identify and certify participants eligibility, and control the receipt and security of the SFMNP checks booklets/coupons, and distribute the SFMNP coupons/ check booklets to eligible participants. In addition, EHSD AAA will advise participants of their rights and responsibilities under the SFMNP, and provide participants nutrition education material on the use and handling of produce.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without the CDFA coupons, EHSD customers could not participate in the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, which enables seniors to exchange non-cash coupons for nutritious food goods from participating vendors at the Farmer's Market.