



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian  
Date: July 9, 2019

Subject: California State Library Grant for Literacy Services for FY 2019/20

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Librarian, or designee, to apply for and accept California State Library grant funding in the amount not to exceed \$85,000 to meet the operational and services expenses required by Project Second Chance (PSC), the Contra Costa County Library adult literacy program, to provide adult literacy services for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funds committed to Project Second Chance by the Contra Costa County Library, foundation grants, and private donations will be matched by the California State Library using a funding formula that is based on: The State Library's budget for adult literacy, the number of students served by Project Second Chance and the total amount of local funding that the Contra Costa County Library certifies will be allocated to support Project Second Chance. For fiscal year 2019/20, the Library has pledged adult literacy funds currently budgeted in the amount of \$596,606 (88% Library fund and 12% California State Library).

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **07/09/2019** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: Candace Andersen, District II  
Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III  
Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV  
Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V  
Supervisor

ABSENT: John Gioia, District I  
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 9, 2019

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

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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cc:

### BACKGROUND:

Project Second Chance was founded in 1984 with a grant from the California State Library. In 2003, AB 1266 was passed. Article 4.6, Section 18880-18884 of that bill, established the California Library Literacy and English Acquisition Services Program and the formula that determines how local funds, generated by individual library jurisdictions, are matched by the California State Library, using funds legislated specifically for this purpose.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Library will not receive California State Library funding for adult literacy, reducing the number of students that can be served.