



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian  
Date: April 28, 2020

Subject: Grant from the California State Library

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Librarian, or designee, to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$42,681 from The California State Library to provide remote lockers at the North Richmond Senior Center for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This grant from the State Library does not require a Library Fund match, so there will be no impact to the budget.

**BACKGROUND:**

The 2019–20 California State budget contains \$8 million for the State Library to provide grants to local public library jurisdictions to implement early learning and after school programs, and to support mobile library solutions. These new grants will increase Californians' access to several services, while also increasing the mobility and accessibility of public libraries.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/28/2020** ☒ 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 28, 2020

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

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Currently there is very limited library service in North Richmond. The only services are a seasonal bookmobile from the City of Richmond, the Contra Costa County Library's Summer Reading program, and the newly opened North Richmond Early Literacy Reading Room in the Shields-Reid Community Center. These remote lockers will allow North Richmond residents to go online to place holds on library materials and have them delivered to the lockers. Residents will then be able to use their library card to retrieve and return their items at the lockers in the Senior Center. This will provide much needed outreach and support to this community.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Library would not be able to extend library services to the residents of North Richmond.