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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: July 13, 2021

Subject: 2020-2021 Department of Energy / Weatherization Assistance Program Contract Amendment 1

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to execute a contract amendment for the Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program with the California Department of Community Services and Development, extending the term to June 30, 2022, with no change to payment limit of \$125,000.

FISCAL IMPACT:

100% Federal funds passed through State / AL # 84.042 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services California Department of Community Services and Development No Net County Cost

CCC: 39-800-25

BACKGROUND:

The County routinely receives funds from the California Department of Community Services and Development to manage a Department

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Action of Board On: 07/13/2021 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER		
Clerks Notes:		
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS		
AYE:	John Gioia, District I Supervisor	
	Candace Andersen, District II 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.
	Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor	ATTESTED: July 13, 2021
	Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor	Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
	Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

Contact: CSB (925) 681-6389

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

of Energy Weatherization Assistance program. Contra Costa County has received funding from the State Department of Community Services and Development for 24 years wherein the county provides energy bill assistance payments and weatherization services to county residents who are income-eligible to receive said services. The funding source is federal funding from the Department of Energy passed through by the California Department of Community Services and Development. The county receives the money via the Employment & Human Services Department (EHSD). EHSD, in turn, partners with the County's Department of Conservation and Development to provide direct services to clients through energy saving home improvements. The energy saving measures may provide homes with hot water heaters, furnaces, refrigerators, microwaves, doors, windows, florescent light bulbs, 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 carbon monoxide alarms. The program uses income-based eligibility as per the federal poverty guidelines for that program year. Once eligibility is determined, clients with no hot water, no heat, or are in danger of having their power shut off are served as emergencies. Services are then based on clients with the lowest income, highest energy burden, and those with one household member who is considered in the vulnerable population.

This board order is to extend the term limit from June 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If not approved, the Department will not be able to continue to operate the weatherization assistance program in Contra Costa County for the remainder of the term limit.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This funding supports one Contra Costa County Community Outcome established in the Children's Report Card, Outcome #4: "Families that are Safe, Stable and Nurturing." by the provision of home energy assistance to keep households warm in winter and to increase household energy efficiency.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution 2021/205