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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Kathy Gallagher, Employment & Human Services Director

Date: August 10, 2021

Subject: 2021 LIHEAP ARP Act Program Contract for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT Resolution No. 2021/253 to approve and authorize the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to execute a contract with the California Department of Community Services and Development in the amount of \$4,692,311 for low income home energy assistance program for the period August 1, 2021 through March 31, 2023.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

100% Federal Funds through the California Department of Community Services and Development
State Agreement No. 21V-5554; County Contract No. 39-967-0
No County Match
CFDA# 93.568

## **BACKGROUND:**

The County is to receive funding from the State Department of Community Services and Development to provide energy bill assistance payments to county residents who are financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Contract under the Low Income Home Energy

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RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE							
Action	n of Board On: <b>08/10/2021</b>	✓ 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: August 10, 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					

cc: Theo Trinh, Nelly Ige (Escobar)

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## **BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)**

Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP). Emergency Heating and Cooling Services will be offered under this contract. In addition, residents may also qualify for the Utility Assistance Program, which provides a credit on their energy bills. These funds are to promptly and efficiently provide relief on a first-come, first-served basis to eligible households impacted by the pandemic, with an emphasis on utility assistance. All applicants who are income qualified and meet all other Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) eligibility requirements are eligible for services.

This funding is to help prevent, prepare for or respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

# **CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

If not approved, County may not receive funding to operate 2021 LIHEAP ARP Act Contract for LIHEAP.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Resolution 2021/253

Planning Allocation Spreadsheet