



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director  
Date: November 29, 2022

Subject: Grant Agreement #78-012 with Bay Area Air Quality Management District

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute Grant Agreement #78-012 with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) including indemnification, in an amount not to exceed \$563,447 for establishing clean air centers and environments in public spaces across the County, effective upon execution of agreement by BAAQMD and ending upon the later of : 1) five years from final payment by BAAQMD; or 2) November 14, 2027.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The impact on the County General Fund is anticipated to be none, as costs are paid directly by BAAQMD, for procurement of portable air cleaners and replacement filters to the 10 jurisdictions noted below.

City of Concord (Senior Center) - 2  
City of Danville/County Library - 3  
City of El Cerrito - 21  
City of Pittsburg - 30

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/29/2022** ☒ 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: November 29, 2022

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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City of Richmond - 10  
Antioch Schools - 111  
County Office of Education - 16  
Oakley Union Elementary School District - 27  
West Contra Costa School District - 55  
Contra Costa Health Services (Homeless Shelters) - 12  
Contra Costa Health Services (Emergency Prep) - 14  
Total: 301

## FISCAL IMPACT: (CONT'D)

### BACKGROUND:

The Clean Air Center Program (“Program”) is a grant program designed to provide funding to purchase portable air cleaners and retrofit ventilation systems to create a network of clean air centers where people in vulnerable communities with high documented smoke burden can find respite from wildfires and other smoke events. This grant program is funded by Assembly Bill 836 as part of the California Air Resources Board’s Wildfire Smoke Clean Air Centers for Vulnerable Populations Pilot Program (Wicks, Chapter 393, California Health, and Safety Code Section 39960, 2019).

The California Air Resources Board (“CARB”), which oversees and administers the Program, has adopted guidelines and criteria for the Program’s implementation entitled, Wildfire Smoke Clean Air Centers for Vulnerable Populations Incentive Pilot Program Guidelines 2021 and subsequent CARB revisions and advisories issued for Program implementation (together the “CARB Program Guidelines”). The Air District implements the Program in the San Francisco Bay Area air basin in accordance with the CARB Program Guidelines and the Air District Clean Air Center Program Guidelines.

On September 6, 2022, the County received formal notice of this funding award. Approval of Grant Agreement #78-012 will allow the County to establish clean air centers in public spaces in Contra Costa County for five years, including agreeing to indemnify and hold the BAAQMD harmless for claims arising out of the County’s performance under this agreement.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failure to accept the grant and approve the agreement will delay implementation and use of public facilities across the county to be used as clean air environment during wildfire and other poor air quality events. Ten jurisdictions, including the County, would be impacted.

### CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The dangers to children and student health are exacerbated during poor air quality events, especially when the Air Quality Index (AQI) exceeds 150, as has often occurred in association with wildfire events across northern California. Providing portable air filters in civic and school environments, including libraries supports the following Board of Supervisors community outcomes: “Children Ready For and Succeeding in School;” “Families that are Safe, Stable, and Nurturing;” and “Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families.” Expected program outcomes include a decrease in preventable health events, including asthma, eye and lung irritation.