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To: Board of SupervisorsFrom: Anna Roth, Health Services DirectorDate: March 21, 2023



Contra Costa County

Subject: Rescind Prior Board Action for Transportation and Food Vouchers for HIV/AIDS and STD Program

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

RESCIND Board action of November 29, 2022 (C.58), which authorized the Purchasing Agent, on behalf of the Health Services Department, to purchase up to \$25,000 in transportation and food vouchers; and APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to purchase on behalf of Health Services Department, 100 Tri Delta Transit vouchers each with a \$27.50 value, totaling \$2,750; 99 BART vouchers each with a \$6.90 value, totaling \$683.10; 131 ARCO vouchers each with a \$50 value plus \$16.50 for ground shipping, totaling \$6,566.50; and 150 Target grocery vouchers each with a \$100 value totaling \$15,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$25,000 to be provided to low-income clients living with HIV or AIDS and served by the HIV/AIDS and STD Program for the period from December 31, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of this action will not impact the originally approved \$25,000 expenditure, which will be entirely funded by the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) funding under cost center 5840. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

## **BACKGROUND:**

APPROVE		OTHER
RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE		
Action of Board Or	n: 03/21/2023	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER
Clerks Notes:		
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS		
Candace Ander Supervisor Diane Burgis, I Supervisor Ken Carlson, D Supervisor Federal D. Glo Supervisor	District III District IV ver, District V	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: March 21, 2023 Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors By: Laura Cassell, Deputy
Contact: April Langro, (925) 313-6730		

The HIV/AIDS and STD Program within Contra Costa County's Public Health Department received a Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) award from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) via the Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) to provide transportation and food vouchers to low-income clients living with HIV or AIDS and actively enrolled in Medical Case Management. The provision of non-emergency transportation services through vouchers enables clients to access or be retained in core medical and support services. The provision of nutritious food is essential to well-being and promotes better health outcomes for clients. All vouchers are distributed based on need as well as eligibility requirements outlined by HOPWA.

# BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

On November 29, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved agenda item C.58 to authorize the purchase of 100 Tri Delta Transit vouchers each with a \$27.50 value, totaling \$2,750; 99 BART vouchers each with a \$6.90 value, totaling \$683.10; 131 ARCO vouchers each with a \$50 value plus \$16.50 for ground shipping, totaling \$6,566.50; 100 Walmart grocery vouchers each with a \$100 value, totaling \$10,000; and 50 Target grocery vouchers each with a \$100 value, totaling \$5,000 to be provided to low-income clients living with HIV or AIDS and served by the HIV/AIDS and STD Program, as recommended by the Health Services Director.

Walmart will no longer accept a check for the purchase of the Walmart grocery vouchers. Approval of this action will change the amount and type of food vouchers in order to support homeless patients through June 30, 2023.

#### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this action is not approved, the HIV/AIDS and STD program would not be fulfilling the goals outlined in HOPWA Grant and the health and wellbeing of the clients enrolled in the program would be at risk due to barriers associated with low socioeconomic status.