



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director  
Date: January 11, 2011

Subject: Reimburse City of Martinez for purchase of AED's

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Approve and authorize the Auditor-Controller to reimburse the City of Martinez up to \$13,000 for purchase of six (6) automated external defibrillators (AEDs) to be carried in police patrol cars for emergency medical response upon approval by the Contra Costa Emergency Medical Services Director.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No General Fund impact. Funding will be from County Service Area EM-1 (Measure H).

**BACKGROUND:**

The Martinez Police Department has requested reimbursement for purchase of six AEDs to be carried by patrol cars for response to medical emergencies involving cardiac arrest or potential for cardiac arrest when able, consistent with police department priorities and workload. Martinez will accept responsibility for ongoing training of law enforcement personnel in the use of AEDs and will provide for maintenance and replacement of AEDs as needed without further cost to the County. In cases of sudden cardiac arrest, every second delay in administration of a shock using

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/11/2011** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I  
Supervisor  
Gayle B. Uilkema, District  
II Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III  
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: January 11, 2011

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Art Lathrop,  
313-9560

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

an AED decreases the chance for survival, and, in many instances, law enforcement personnel may be able to respond the scene more quickly than fire or ambulance. Contra Costa EMS has worked with a number of law enforcement agencies to attain AEDs. County Service Area EM-1 was established by the Board of Supervisors in 1989 following countywide voter approval of Measure H to provide funding for enhancements to the emergency medical system. Funding is available to continue assisting those agencies desiring to implement a law enforcement AED program.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Failure to approve this funding may delay implementation of a law enforcement AED program in the Martinez Police Department.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

Sudden cardiac arrest strikes persons of all ages.