



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Joe Valentine, Employment & Human Services Director
Date: January 10, 2012

Subject: Community Development Block Grant funding

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Employment and Human Services Director, or designee, to apply for and accept Contra Costa County Department of Conservation and Development, Redevelopment and Economic Development, Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount not to exceed \$22,000 to support the Bay Point Works Community Career Center for the period of fiscal years (FY) 2012-13 through 2013-2014.

FISCAL IMPACT:

County to receive up to \$22,000 (\$11,000 for FY 2012-2013, \$11,000 for FY 2013-2014), 100% Community Development Block Grant funds . (No County match)

BACKGROUND:

The grant funding will support the Bay Point Works/SparkPoint Community Career Center's ongoing programs and program staff. The community-run employment center is a major asset to the community, providing residents with many employment resources and based on a neighbor-to-neighbor strategy of moving community residents into the workforce and up the job ladder.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/10/2012** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

ABSENT: Gayle B. Uilkema, 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.

ATTESTED: January 10, 2012

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Paul Buddenhagen,
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cc:

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Furthermore, the residents can benefit from the Bay Point Community Career Center SparkPoint services with an objective to improve credit scores, increase income and build assets. The community can benefit from SparkPoint services, such as, to improve credit scores by designing a budget and reducing debt; to increase income by enrolling in career training and to connect with money-saving programs. Money saving programs available through the Bay Point Community Career Center include free tax-preparation and utility discounts; boosting assets through matched saving programs, home buying and funding retirement programs.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without authorization for application for grant funds, County would not receive Community Development Block grant funds to support the Bay Point Community Career Center.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The grant funding supports three of the community outcomes established in the Children's Report Card, (3) "Families that are Economically Self Sufficient"; (4) "Families that are Safe, Stable and Nurturing"; and, (5) Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families" by supporting the neighbor-to-neighbor strategy of moving community residents into the workforce and increasing self esteem for self, family and community.