



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Human Services Agency



Date: February 11, 2013
Board Meeting Date: February 26, 2013
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Beverly Beasley Johnson, JD, Director, Human Services Agency

Subject: Accepting 2013 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Funds from the State Department of Community Services and Development

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution:

- A) Authorizing a revenue Agreement with the State Department of Community Services and Development for the purpose of delivering Safety Net Services for the term of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013, in the amount of \$115,345; and
- B) Authorizing the Director of the Human Services Agency or the Director's designee to execute contract amendments in an amount up to \$312,210.

BACKGROUND:

The State Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) awarded Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding for 2013 Safety Net Services through a new revenue Agreement, Agreement Number 13-F-3040. The amount of this revenue Agreement is \$115,345, but CSD anticipates receiving additional federal funding for CSBG in the amount of \$312,210, which will be awarded in the form of amendments, for a total anticipated amount of \$427,555. The Human Services Agency (HSA) received the first CSBG funding on January 15, 2012, and anticipates this funding to be on-going.

DISCUSSION:

The CSBG program provides grants to local governments and non-profit agencies to assist eligible low-income households in attaining the skills, knowledge and motivation necessary to achieve self-sufficiency. The grant funding will provide a variety of antipoverty services such as housing assistance, utility assistance and other emergency needs that assist low-income households at risk of becoming homeless. Accepting the 2013 revenue Agreement with CSD will allow HSA to continue working with Samaritan House, the Service Coordinator for the CSBG administration, and the network of Core Services Agencies to deliver Safety Net Services without service interruption. This Agreement was delayed due to the timing the state requires to process Agreements.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the revenue Agreement and Resolution as to form.

Acceptance of this 2013 CSBG revenue Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by providing Safety Net Services such as rental and housing assistance, mortgage assistance, transportation, and emergency food assistance to low-income families and individuals of San Mateo County. This revenue Agreement will provide services to 360 low-income households residing in San Mateo County. It is anticipated the 88% of the eligible households will increase or maintain self-sufficiency for an additional 3 months.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2012-13 Actual	FY 2013-14 Projected
Number of participants receiving Emergency Assistance (food, utility payments, rental and mortgage assistance, car repair assistance, shelter, transportation, referral services, and clothing)	N/A	360
Percent of participants receiving rental or mortgage assistance that maintain or increase self-sufficiency for 3 months or longer	N/A	88%

Services under this Agreement run by calendar year opposed to fiscal year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The amount of revenue from this Agreement is \$115,345. It is anticipated that CSD will amend the Agreement as they receive federal funding for an amount up to \$312,210, for a grant total of \$427,555. The term of this revenue Agreement is January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. This revenue Agreement is unanticipated revenue for FY 2012- 2013, and will be included in the FY 2013-2014 Recommended Budget. This unanticipated revenue will be used to fund Safety Net Services. There is no Net County Cost.