



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: March 11, 2015
Board Meeting Date: April 14, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: 4/5ths

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System
SaraT L. Mayer, Director, Public Health, Policy and Planning

Subject: Appropriation Transfer Request for Public Health, Policy and Planning for funding for the Health Care for the Homeless Program

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an appropriation transfer request in the amount of \$129,084 from unanticipated revenue and expenses from the San Mateo Medical Center Health Care for the Homeless Grant to Public Health, Policy and Planning.

BACKGROUND:

The Health Care for the Homeless/Farmworker Health (HCH/FH) Program is administered by the San Mateo Medical Center (SMMC). The HCH/FH Program oversees the provision of primary health care, dental care, and behavioral health care services provided to individuals and families who are homeless or at-risk of being homeless, and the farmworker community. To ensure access to a continuum of services for homeless individuals and farmworkers, the HCH/FH Program provides federal funding to Public Health, Policy and Planning (PHPP) Division's Mobile Clinic Program to provide primary health care services to San Mateo County's farmworker and homeless population.

DISCUSSION:

The expanded funding will make additional services accessible to formerly incarcerated and homeless individuals receiving services through San Mateo County's Service Connect, as well as individuals residing in shelters, on the streets, in transitional housing programs or at-risk of being homeless. PHPP will provide physical exams and screening for chronic diseases and other health conditions, intensive primary care services to clients with chronic health issues, and ensure continuity of care and referrals to other health and social services agencies.

This increased funding allows PHPP to hire an extra-help provider who will assist with the additional services provided and the increased number of clients served. Notice of the additional funding was received in late January, after the HCH/FH grant's fiscal cycle had started, and too late to include in the FY 2014-15 budget.

Approval of this Appropriation Transfer Request (ATR) contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by ensuring San Mateo County residents that are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless have access to health care services. It is anticipated that 1,158 patients will receive a physical exam screening for chronic diseases and other health conditions.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2014-15 Projected
Number of patients to receive a physical exam screening for chronic diseases and other health conditions	938	1,158

FISCAL IMPACT:

Since this is a grant, there is no Net County Cost. Through Board acceptance of this ATR, \$129,084 will be appropriated to the PHPP FY 2014-15 Adopted Budget.