



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**  
County Manager's Office

**DATE:** July 14, 2015

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** July 21, 2015

**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** None

**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Reyna Farrales, Deputy County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Use of District-Specific Measure A Funds

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve Measure A District-Specific project and adopt a resolution directing the Human Services Agency Director or her designee to prepare and execute the agreement with Home and Hope, for an amount not to exceed \$40,000, to evaluate the feasibility of establishing a rotating shelter for homeless individuals on the San Mateo County Coast.

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

Measure A is the ten-year half-cent general sales tax approved by San Mateo County voters in November 2012. The Board and County staff have conducted study sessions and community outreach efforts to inform priorities for Measure A spending.

On March 17, 2015 your Board adopted the Measure A allocation plan for the FY 2015-17 budget, during which the County anticipates Measure A receipts of about \$80 million annually. The plan included \$5 million in one-time loans or grants, and \$1 million each year for FY 2015-16 and 2016-17, divided equally among the five Board districts, for organizations that submitted Letters of Intent that were not funded or, in cases of emergencies or unforeseen circumstances, other one-time projects for organizations that did not submit a Letter of Intent. On April 28, 2015, your Board approved criteria and process to be used by staff to administer these funds.

The following Board District has submitted a request to use Measure A funds as set forth below and in the attachment hereto:

<b>District/Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
District 3 (Don Horsley) – Home and Hope – Feasibility Study-Rotating Church Shelter on the Coast	\$40,000

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This is a one-time \$40,000 agreement that will not exceed Department Head authority of \$100,000. There are sufficient Measure A funds budgeted in Non-Departmental Services FY 2015-16 Budget. The transfer of \$40,000 from Non-Departmental to the appropriate HSA budget unit will be included in September Revisions to the FY 2015-16 Budget.

ATTACHMENT – Project Summary: Feasibility Study-Rotating Church Shelter on Coast

**DISTRICT 3 (Supervisor Don Horsley)**  
**FY 2015-17 Measure A Request**  
**Home and Hope**  
**Feasibility Study – Rotating Church Shelter on Coast**  
**\$40,000 one-time**

This Measure A allocation of \$40,000 would support an evaluation of the feasibility of establishing a rotating church shelter for homeless individuals on the San Mateo County Coast. The 2015 One Day Homeless Count found that 169 of the 775 unsheltered homeless individuals reside on the Coast. Despite this disproportional representation of the homeless population, there are no shelter beds on the Coast.

Home and Hope currently works with 34 congregations throughout San Mateo County to provide nightly shelter, meals, day center and social support to 15-25 individuals through the year. A designated church provides shelter and meals for one week at a time. This project will determine if this model can be developed on the Coast.

Key questions to be assessed include:

- Will a core group of congregations commit to covering the shelter rotation for the specified duration of service?
- Will year round or inclement weather (October to May) shelter be the most appropriate for initial program build out?
- Can sufficient funds be identified for the project to be sustained in the long term?

The feasibility study will be completed within six months from the start of the agreement, or mutually agreed upon date between the County and Home and Hope.

With Board approval, the Director of the Human Services Agency or her designee will be directed to prepare and execute the agreement for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.