

### **COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

County Manager's Office

**DATE:** November 2, 2015

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** November 17, 2015

SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Iliana Rodriguez, Director of Human Services Agency

Reyna Farrales, Deputy County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Use of District-Specific Measure A Funds – Supervisorial District 4

#### RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution authorizing a one-time \$24,500 grant to Rosalie Rendu, Inc. and authorizing the Director of the Human Services Agency, or her designee, to prepare and execute the grant agreement.

#### **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 for FY 2015-16, 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. District 4 has submitted a request to use Measure A funds as shown below and in the attachment hereto:

District/Project	Amount
District 4 (Warren Slocum) – Rosalie Rendu, Inc.: Adult English Language Classes, After School Homework Support, and Driving Instruction	\$24,500

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There are sufficient Measure A funds budgeted in Non-Departmental Services FY 2015-16 Adopted Budget for this purpose.

ATTACHMENT - Project Summary

# DISTRICT 4 (Supervisor Warren Slocum) FY 2015-17 Measure A Request Rosalie Rendu, Inc. \$24,500 one-time

This is a one-time grant request for \$24,500 in district Measure A funds to be used for the Rosalie Rendu Center to fund extra instructors for adult English language classes; to provide after school homework help for local youth; and to send local students for additional supervised driving instruction. The Rosalie Rendu Center is located in East Palo Alto and serves the low-income residents by building English language and life skills necessary for better employment and integration into the local community.

Funding will be used to provide program enhancements at the Rosalie Rendu Center. The Center will:

- Increase English language (ESL) instruction in 2015-2016 to reach 55 adults and will
  provide structured play time for toddlers whose parents participate in ESL.
- Boost educational enhancements for the children in its after school homework help program by providing youth tutoring, digital technology aids, books for home reading and learning aids for special needs youth.
- Offer additional driver's training assistance for local youth. Young adults struggle to
  obtain a driver's license because they lack the resources for extra driving instruction.
  A portion of these funds will be used to help send 10 students for additional
  supervised road training with a driving instructor. Earning a driver's license will help
  these residents gain employment and/or pursue higher education.

Performance Measure	FY 2015-2016
Number of adult clients that participate in English language instruction.	With anticipated outcome of no less than <b>55</b> %
Number and percent of adults in English language instruction that will complete course objectives and requirements in 2015-2016.	With anticipated outcome of no less than <b>44 or 80</b> %

The grant will allow the Rosalie Rendu Center to provide the above-referenced services during the FY 2015-16 and will require a report back to the County regarding various performance measures including, but not limited to, those noted above.