

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence Board of Supervisors



Date: January 4, 2016 Board Meeting Date: January 26, 2016 Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Carole Groom

Subject: Use of District-Specific Measure A Funds – Supervisorial District 2

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing a one-time \$79,000 grant of district-specific Measure A funds to InnVision Shelter Network and authorizing the County Manager, or his designee, to prepare and execute the grant agreement.

## BACKGROUND:

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, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors adopted the Measure A allocation plan for the FY 2015-17 budget, during which the County anticipates Measure A receipts of approximately \$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 district-specific needs and projects. On April 28, 2015, the Board approved the criteria and process to be used by staff to administer these funds. In accordance with such criteria, District 2 has submitted a request to use Measure A funds as set forth below and in the attachment hereto:

District/Project	Amount
District Two (Supervisor Carole Groom) – InnVision Shelter Network: New laminate flooring and 5 hot water heaters at the First Step for Families shelter in the City of San Mateo	\$79,000

## FISCAL IMPACT:

This is a one-time \$79,000 allocation of district-specific Measure A funds to InnVision Shelter Network.

# **ATTACHMENT – Project Summary**

### DISTRICT 2 (Supervisor Carole Groom) FY 2015-17 Measure A Request InnVision Shelter Network \$79,000 One-Time Grant

San Mateo County serves as a social safety net for our most vulnerable residents. In this capacity, one of the populations that the County focuses its services on are homeless families and individuals.

This is a \$79,000 one-time request for grant monies that will promote the health, wellbeing, and comfort of homeless residents living in InnVision Shelter Network housing. The County Manager's Office will work with InnVision Shelter Network staff on terms of the grant agreement for this one-time contribution.

#### InnVision Shelter Network:

InnVision Shelter Network is dedicated to helping homeless families and individuals across Silicon Valley and San Francisco Peninsula return to permanent housing and self-sufficiency.

InnVision Shelter Network (IVSN) is a leading provider of shelter/housing and supportive services in San Mateo County. IVSN provides interim and stabilization shelter, permanent supportive housing, outreach, rapid re-housing, and homelessness prevention services.

Through community support—including financial contributions, in-kind donations, and volunteerism—IVSN empowers those in our community struggling with poverty and homelessness to gain valuable skills that lead to long term self-sufficiency.

The funds are to be disbursed to InnVision Shelter Network for the following purposes:

All expenses are for First Step for Families, InnVision Shelter Network's site-based shelter for 39 homeless families at 325 Villa Terrace in San Mateo. The requests concern capital improvements for important deferred maintenance.

- Flooring. The carpet at the facility is over 10 years old. Each unit "turns over" 3

   4 times each year, and the carpets are now threadbare. Stanford Pediatric Residents (volunteers) have informed InnVision that carpets are the single greatest cause of asthma irritants affecting families served by InnVision Shelter Network; furthermore, asthma is the top chronic health condition affecting the families served by the organization. The carpet is to be replaced by a laminate flooring product at a cost of \$54,000 and will support the health and wellbeing of the families who reside in the shelter.
- Hot Water Heaters. The existing hot water heaters at the facility are failing. This allocation will be used to purchase five large hot water heaters at a cost of \$5,000 each, for a total of \$25,000.

The total allocation request for the new laminate flooring and the hot water heaters is \$79,000.

The release of funds will be contingent on the execution of a Grant Agreement providing for the County's confirmation of the expenditure of funds during FY 2015-16 for the purposes stated herein.