



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager



Date: March 9, 2017

Board Meeting Date: March 14, 2017

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: County Manager's Report #5

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept this informational report.

BACKGROUND:

This report will provide you with updates on a variety of County initiatives focusing on Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Community Services and Performance, in addition to reports on legislation and issues that require your action. We also will keep you and the public informed about new services, upcoming events and general updates.

DISCUSSION:

Public Safety

New public safety communications manager hired

Dan Belville, who has served as assistant director of Public Safety Communications (PSC) since joining the County in 2016, has been named the department's new director. He and his executive team will lead an outstanding dispatch group as they transition into a state-of-the-art dispatch facility in 2018. PSC is responsible for 9-1-1 calls and dispatching for the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office, multiple police departments, all fire departments in the county, AMR and Emergency Medical Services.

Prior to joining the County, Belville distinguished himself as an outstanding leader, rising through the ranks to fire chief of the city of San Mateo and interim fire chief for the Menlo Park Fire Protection District. He has extensive expertise in strategic planning and has provided highly specialized consulting services to various fire departments and government agencies throughout California. As the fire chief in San Mateo, he utilized his skills to merge the San Mateo and Foster City Fire Departments. He also has a proven track record of being an innovator and collaborator who brings people and groups together to optimize resources.

New coastside district coordinator joins OES

As of March 6, Chad Woodburn is the County's new Coast District Coordinator for the Office of Emergency Services. Woodburn, who lives on the coast as well as serving as its liaison to OES, is also a medical operations officer in the Army National Guard with the rank of first lieutenant. He is a former Army medic and served in two campaigns in

Iraq. He is working on a Master's of Professional Studies in homeland security and public health preparedness.

Woodburn fills the vacancy left when the previous coordinator moved into a code enforcement position within the County last year. We are pleased to have this important position filled, especially during the current winter storm season.

Health and Human Services

HSA creates homeless outreach video for law enforcement

The Human Services Agency is making strides in connecting the county's homeless population with services and reaching our 2020 goal of ultimately ending homelessness. The Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) model, which coordinates HSA with law enforcement, has expanded countywide over the past year to connect these individuals with the county's collective resources. To make sure our partners are aware of available resources, HSA along with HOT and our Core Service Agencies developed an internal video for law enforcement which illustrates how to work with the chronic street homeless population and shares experiences and insights from our community providers. HSA will share the video this week with the police chiefs and all involved hope they find it a worthwhile tool to strengthen our collaboration and ultimately our successes.

Community Services

County, C/CAG and partners win EPA award

The County of San Mateo, the City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG) and our 20 incorporated cities and towns received a prestigious 2017 Climate Leadership Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for their countywide collaboration on coordinated efforts to reduce greenhouse emissions by 40 percent by 2030. The San Mateo County Regionally Integrated Climate Action Planning Suite (RICAPS) Initiative won in the Innovative Partnership category. All RICAPS participants are drafting or have adopted climate action plans using tools and templates developed by technical consultant DNV GL which greatly reduces the cost of climate planning for local jurisdictions. The two main components are San Mateo County Energy Watch, which supports retrofit projects for schools, small businesses and lower-income residents, and the RICAPS Initiative which supports climate action planning through templates, documents and performance tracking. As a result, countywide energy use has been reduced by 26.5 million kWh since 2009.

Measure K

Renovations begin at Serenity House

Renovations are underway at Serenity House, a new respite center for people who need short-term care due to a destabilization in their mental health condition. The respite center will provide a safe place for people with a mental illness who are not a danger to themselves or others a place for short-term stabilization. The group home-like setting will provide individual and group therapy, case management and family support, among other services. If weather works in our favor, the program could open in July.

Serenity House will be located on the campus of the San Mateo Medical Center at 37th Avenue and Hacienda Street in San Mateo. It will be operated by HealthRight 360 and provide 24-hour care for up to 10 adults. As you will recall, your Board in December 2016 approved a \$2.35 million contract for the renovation project. Renovations are supported by both Measure K, the countywide half-cent sales tax extension approved by voters in November 2016, and funds awarded to Behavioral Health and Recovery Services by the California Investment in Mental Health Wellness Program Grant.