



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

File #: 16-649

Board Meeting Date: 10/17/2017

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Iliana Rodriguez, Director of Human Services Agency
Subject: Acceptance of Donation to San Mateo County Children's Fund

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a cash donation in the amount of \$3,500 to the County of San Mateo's Children's Fund.

BACKGROUND:

The San Mateo County Children's Fund (CF) accepts cash and in-kind donations as well as raises funds for foster and low-income children in San Mateo County. CF serves more than 4,000 children annually providing essentials such as clothing, backpacks, holiday gifts, computers and Halloween costumes.

Administrative costs to operate CF are funded through the County of San Mateo. All services and goods provided to the children of San Mateo County through CF are based solely on private and community donations. One hundred percent (100%) of all donations go to children in need. Also, except basic administrative costs, the majority of the services provided are by volunteers. CF manages an average of 300-350 volunteers annually.

DISCUSSION:

The Children's Fund aims to serve over 4,500 children in FY 2017-18 and anticipates receiving services from up to 300 volunteers. The majority of donations received by CF are under \$2,500 per donor. All donations presented to CF are reviewed by the Human Services Agency Director to ensure that they are appropriate and in compliance with County Policy. Recently, CF received a donation in excess of \$2,500. Per Administrative Memo-B3, all donations, gifts or bequests exceeding \$2,500 must be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

DONOR	AMOUNT
Christina M. Hussain and Ahmed Hussain	\$3,500.00

County Counsel has approved the memorandum and resolution as to form.

Acceptance of this donation contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 of a Prosperous Community by allowing CF to provide services to meet the needs of foster and low-income children in San Mateo County and improve their well-being and quality of life.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This action accepts the donation of \$3,500 for the Children's Trust Fund. All donations received by the Children's Trust Fund go towards services and needs of the foster and low-income children in San Mateo County.