



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** HEALTH

**File #:** 20-600

Board Meeting Date: 8/4/2020

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**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Louise F. Rogers, Chief, San Mateo County Health  
Lisa Mancini, Director, Aging and Adult Services

**Subject:** Funding Agreement with the California Department of Aging for Dignity at Home Fall Prevention Program

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Chief of San Mateo County Health or her designee to enter into a funding agreement(s) with the California Department of Aging, and all subsequent amendments thereto, to accept funds received for Dignity at Home Fall Prevention for the term of February 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$143,750; and to prepare and execute Dignity at Home Fall Prevention provider agreement and subsequent provider amendments, for the term February 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

### **BACKGROUND:**

New funding from California Department of Aging (CDA) is allocated for the Dignity at Home Fall Prevention (DHFP) program. The goal of the DHFP program is to provide fall and injury prevention information, education, referral services, equipment, assessments, services, materials, and labor costs to individuals who: (1) are sixty years of age, or (2) have disabilities. Eligible individuals also should have an adjusted household income that does not exceed eighty percent of the area median income, and are at risk of falling or institutionalization.

California Department of Aging (CDA) released the program memo for Dignity at Home Fall Prevention Program on January 31, 2020. San Mateo County was granted an extension to submit a budget and program narrative by June 30, 2020. Both budget and program narrative were submitted and approved by CDA on June 9, 2020.

Funding for this program will come entirely from the State. Additionally, Health is requesting the Board to waive the Request for Proposals process because this program is the sole source of these fall prevention program services.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) shall provide programmatic services such as information and

education about injury prevention, in-home environmental assessments, and resource and referral around fall and injury prevention.

Aging and Adult Services requests that the Board authorize the Chief of San Mateo County Health or her designee to prepare and execute the funding agreement(s) with the CDA, and any subsequent amendments to accept funding for DHFP program during the contract term.

The resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

It is anticipated that approximately 300 seniors or people with disabilities will receive Fall Prevention information and education; 50 seniors or people with disabilities will receive in-home environmental assessments; and 25 seniors or people with disabilities will receive assistance minor in-home modifications.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE:**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2019-20 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2020-21 Estimated</b>
Number of seniors or people with disabilities receiving Fall Prevention information and education, in-home environmental assessments, and minor in-home modifications.	N/A	375

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the DHFP contract is February 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$143,750. This amount will come from the State. There is no net County cost.