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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: JoAnn Melgar for Howard Himes - Director
Health & Human Services Operations
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SUBJECT: Revenue Agreement with the Housing Authority of the City of Napa

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a revenue agreement with the Housing Authority of the City of Napa (HACN) for a maximum of \$27,687 for the term July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 for HACN to reimburse the County a portion of the county costs of its agreements with consultants hired to provide homelessness and housing policy support in Napa County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The County has retained the services of the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) and the Center for Common Concerns (also known as HomeBase), which provide homelessness and housing policy support for the purpose of developing long-term solutions to homeless and housing issues in Napa County. In addition to benefitting the County, the work produced under the County's contracts with CSH and HomeBase also benefit the Housing Authority of the City of Napa (HACN).

Historically, the County and HACN have agreed to share the cost of these contracts in accordance with the provisions of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act (Government Code Sections 6500 et seq.), in particular the immunity provisions of Government Code section 6513.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes

Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services Administration
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Approval of the recommended agreement is discretionary. There is no mandate to contract with the Housing Authority of the City of Napa (HACN) to receive funding assistance for the provision of homelessness and housing policy support.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	This revenue agreement terminates June 30, 2017.
Consequences if not approved:	If this agreement is not approved, Napa County will be forgoing HACN's contribution of funds towards Napa County's homelessness contracts, which would require the County to fully fund their obligations with County General fund, or reduce the level of services.
Additional Information:	

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

On November 22, 2016, the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment No. 6 to Agreement No. 7774 with The Center for Common Concerns, Inc. (HomeBase), a team of lawyers and public policy experts. The amended agreement provides for the Center to assist County staff in the preparation of Napa County's application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for grant funds to address homelessness in Napa County. HomeBase has worked with Napa County since 2001 to assist in the preparation of the County's grant application to HUD. Grant funds are used for the Transitional Residential Alliance and Integrated Network (TRAIN) program (re-named Home to Stay in 2016). TRAIN funding provides case management services and rent subsidies allowing dozens of homeless people to be housed. Grant funding will also be used for the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). HMIS is designed to collect data on the homeless population of Napa County. The data help staff to better understand the needs of homeless people and develop more efficient delivery of services to this population.

In addition, approval of today's recommended action will enable HACN to contribute toward the cost of consulting services with the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH). CSH works with County staff to prepare for monthly Funders Collaborative meetings, is assisting in the formation of a Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool, and provides education and technical support to implement system change strategies to end homelessness and housing issues.

HACN will reimburse the County a total of \$27,687 for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Bret Prebula