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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randy Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720
SUBJECT: Agreement and Certification regarding State Veterans Services allocation

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following two agreements with the California Department of Veterans Affairs:

1. Renewal of Agreement No. 946, Subvention Certificate of Compliance, for release of the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 state funding for the County Veterans Service Office; and
2. A Medi-Cal Certificate of Compliance committing the County to assist veterans in obtaining benefits from non-Medi-Cal funding sources.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Napa County receives an allocation from the California Department of Veterans Affairs to assist in funding the Veterans Services Office. This year's allocation is \$30,000, which is the same as the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 allocation.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Social Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	The state Veterans Services Office Fund is created through the sale of veterans license plates. These funds are shared among counties through a subvention program based upon counties' shares of statewide veterans

expenditures. The county subvention program pays counties for a portion of their administrative costs and for "workload units" performed.

The Medi-Cal cost-avoidance program pays counties for activities that county veterans services officers perform that may result in savings to the Medi-Cal program.

Is the general fund affected? Yes
Future fiscal impact: None
Consequences if not approved: Benefits for veterans will not be available at the current level.
Additional Information: None

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

The Department of Veterans Affairs allocates funding to assist the County Veterans Services Office. Release of these funds requires a county agreement to provide veterans services, designation of a Veterans Services Officer who is qualified under the Military and Veterans Code, and a Medi-Cal Certificate of Compliance that commits the county to assist veterans in obtaining benefits from non-Medi-Cal funding sources.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Meegan Condon