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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Teresa Zimny for HOWARD HIMES - Director Health & Human Services Administration
REPORT BY:	Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst - 253-4720
SUBJECT:	Revenue agreement with the Department of Health Care Services (Medi-Cal Outreach and Enrollment)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign a revenue Agreement with the Department of Health Care Services for a maximum of \$100,000 for the term March 12, 2014 through December 31, 2016 for the County to provide Medi-Cal Outreach and Enrollment services.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the recommended action will enable the County's Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) to accept a Medi-Cal Outreach and Enrollment allocation from the Department of Health Care Services. HHSA will utilize this allocation to fund one full time (1.0) Eligibility Worker I/II and a contract with a Community Based Organization (CBO).

FISCAL IMPACT				
Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes			
Is it currently budgeted?	No			
What is the revenue source?	Napa County has received an allocation of \$100,000 for the period March 12, 2014 through December 31, 2016 to provide Medi-Cal outreach and enrollment services and activities.			
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary			

Discretionary Justification:	This funding is discretionary in that it is not mandated by any statute. This funding will help provide services for one or more high-risk populations such as persons with mental health or substance abuse needs; persons who are homeless; young men of color; persons who are in jail, state prison, state parole, county probation or under post-release community supervision; families with mixed immigration status; and persons with limited English proficiency.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	This allocation is for March 12, 2014 through December 31, 2016 and will be budgeted appropriately in the future fiscal years.
Consequences if not approved:	If this allocation is not accepted, Napa County will be unable to partner with a Community Based Organization (CBO) or fund a new full-time Eligibility Worker I/II with this grant money, which will make it harder to increase Medi-Cal enrollment and retention for the uninsured, target populations.
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

As part of California's efforts to implement the federal patient protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), the Legislature and the Governor, authorized by Assembly Bill (AB) 82, approved a proposal to accept private foundation funds with a 1:1 federal match. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has accepted contributions by the California Endowment (TCE) in the amount of \$12,500,000 and has received an equal amount in federal matching funds for Medi-Cal outreach and enrollment (O&E). These funds have been allocated to counties to provide Medi-Cal O&E efforts associated with the implementation of ACA.

Napa County has received an allocation of \$100,000 for the period March 12, 2014 through December 31, 2016 to provide Medi-Cal outreach and enrollment services and activities pursuant to AB 82, Section 71, with focus on one or more of the targeted high risk populations, which include: persons with mental health or substance abuse needs; persons who are homeless; young men of color; persons who are in jail, state prison, state parole, county probation or under post-release community supervision; families with mixed immigration status; and persons with limited English proficiency.

The Department will be utilizing this allocation to fund one full time (1.0) Eligibility Worker I/II and a contract with a Community Based Organization (CBO). As a condition of the grant funding, the County is required to partner with one or more CBO to develop, conduct and implement effective tools and methods to expand Medi-Cal outreach, increase Medi-Cal enrollment and contribute efforts to retention for the uninsured, target populations. The County's Self-Sufficiency Services Division (SSSD) will partner with County Corrections and the County Probation Department to develop processes to enroll incarcerated individuals while they are pending disposition of charges as well as ensure enrollment of individuals into Medi-Cal upon release from jail. SSSD will be assigning an Eligibility Worker to work onsite at the jail and at the County's Probation Department to allow for quick enrollment into Medi-Cal.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve Reviewed By: Karen Collins