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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shelli Brobst for Jennifer Yasumoto - Director
Health & Human Services Administration

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SUBJECT: Revenue Agreement with the County Medical Services Program Governing Board (COVID-19)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a grant agreement between the County Medical Services Program Governing Board and the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) and Napa County for a maximum of \$377,530 for the term July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 for Napa County to participate in the COVID-19 Emergency Response Grant Program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, on April 2, 2020, the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board adopted a resolution declaring the existence of a local emergency and approving funding for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Grant (CERG) Program for the benefit of participating CMSP counties. Napa County submitted a grant application for CERG funding and was awarded \$377,530 in funding to provide behavioral health support for individuals who are uninsured or underinsured, experiencing homelessness, or receiving public assistance benefits.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services Mental Health Health & Human Services Alcohol & Drug Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary

Discretionary Justification:	While approval of this Agreement is not mandatory it will assist Napa County Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Services in addressing the needs of various low income and vulnerable populations with or at risk of COVID-19 health conditions.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	This Agreement ends on December 31, 2021. Appropriations are included in the approved Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget and will be included in the requested Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget.
Consequences if not approved:	Acceptance of this funding will help support ongoing emergency operational activities by Napa County during the pandemic event.
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:	Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit
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

CMSP, in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, is providing funding to expand the delivery of services that support local preparedness, containment, recovery and response activities affected by the novel coronavirus. The CERG is intended to assist CMSP counties in supporting the needs of:

1. Uninsured and/or underinsured low-income adult county residents seeking health care services and supports in response to COVID-19 conditions.
2. Publicly supported populations, including those on CMSP, Path to Health, Medi-Cal and/or Medicare, seeking health services and supports in response to COVID-19 conditions; and
3. Low-income adult residents with existing health or behavioral health conditions that have housing and/or transportation challenges that impede their ability to obtain necessary health care services to address COVID-19 conditions.

Napa County was awarded \$377,530 to support the provision of behavioral health services to the above populations. These behavioral health services may include, but are not limited to, a mental health "warm line," and psychiatric services, telemedicine access to essential mental health services including psychiatry, psychotherapy, brief counseling interventions, and in-person response. The grant also allows for the possibility of providing services in support of shelter operations, and delivery of a flexible, responsive system of care to meet the presenting needs of this high-risk population. This funding will allow for services which are not claimable to traditional funding streams, such as Medi-Cal, and will allow for continued support of these critical services through the COVID-19- pandemic.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri