



A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service

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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Minh Tran - County Executive Officer
Housing and Homeless Services

REPORT BY: Molly Rattigan, Deputy County Executive Officer - 253-4112

SUBJECT: Agreement with City of Napa for Park Ranger Services-Community Based Transitional Housing Grant

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Housing and Homeless Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with the City of Napa for a maximum of \$115,000 per fiscal year for the term July 21, 2020 through June 30, 2022 for the provision of Park Ranger services to support the homeless services system under the Community Based Transitional Housing grant program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2017 County staff submitted an application to the California Department of Finance for \$2 Million in grant funding for the Community-Based Transitional Housing Program and has been awarded this funding.

Today's requested action approves an agreement with the City of Napa for park ranger services for safety, cleanliness and enforcement purposes that will be primarily focused within the 1/4 mile radius of the South Napa Shelter.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Housing and Homeless Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary

Discretionary Justification:	This item is discretionary in that there is no mandate to provide this specific service. However, the homeless services system is a continuum and the addition of the Park Ranger will help ensure that the impact on the businesses and areas around the South Napa Shelter will be minimized. This additional service will also help connect clients with the service providers to begin the processes of seeking shelter and permanent housing. The County of Napa received a grant to fund the cost of this service.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	This is a two year agreement that expires on June 30, 2022. Appropriations and grant revenue will be budgeted appropriately in future fiscal years.
Consequences if not approved:	If this item is not approved, the homeless services system will not have this additional resource available.
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:	Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit Vibrant and Sustainable Environment
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

In 2017 County staff submitted an application to the California Department of Finance for \$2 Million in grant funding for the Community-Based Transitional Housing Program and has been awarded this funding.

Forty percent of the funds will be used by Abode Services, Inc. the South Napa Shelter operator to partially offset the current costs of shelter staffing. These funds will also help offset the additional costs associated with South Napa Shelter's transition to a 24/7 facility. Specifically, program funds will contribute to the staffing of a shelter coordinator, a service coordinator, and 24/7 shelter monitors. Sixty percent (60%) of funds will contribute to outreach and safety services. These services include community outreach aimed at educating nearby residents and businesses about the shelter's transition to a 24/7 housing-first model, street outreach to potential clients, and the staffing of a security guard to patrol surrounding areas including the bike path.

Today's requested action approves an agreement with the City of Napa for park ranger services that will be primarily focused within the 1/4 mile radius of the South Napa Shelter. The Park Ranger will patrol the open space and businesses surrounding the South Napa Shelter to preserve natural resources and open spaces and enforce rules, regulations, laws, ordinances, safety standards, civility and cleanliness. The Park Ranger will be connected to dispatch for when law enforcement services are needed and will also have a direct connection to Abode Services for assistance for individual clients.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi