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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director  
Health & Human Services  
**REPORT BY:** Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720  
**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing on Drinking Driver Program Fees

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests the Board conduct a public hearing and consider adoption of a resolution establishing and increasing client fees for the Drinking Driver Program.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

These fees are required of clients who have been sentenced to participate in the Drinking Driver Program (DDP) after being convicted of Driving Under the Influence. Under Health and Safety Code Section 11837.3-11837.8, the use of State and Federal funds to cover the cost of DDP services is prohibited. The regulation intends for client fees to cover all program costs of the DDP program.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Substance Abuse Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	These fees will be in effect until further modification by the Board.
Consequences if not approved:	If the fees are not approved, DDP will continue to run at a deficit, costing the County approximately \$200,000 per fiscal year.
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 Drinking Driving Program (DDP) was created in 1979 as an alternative to incarceration for those convicted of Driving under the Influence (DUI). The program is designed to provide education, group and individual counseling, and case management to clients in order to address their substance abuse problems. Clients are required to pay fees to cover the costs of these services for every level of the DDP program. The regulations governing the DDP program require that each one be self sufficient, and that no Federal or State funds can be used to supplement its expenses. The current client fees have not been updated in over eight (8) years, while program costs have gone up considerably. In Fiscal Year 2004-2005, the County dollar needed to supplement the client fees within the DDP program reached almost \$200,000. With these proposed increases to the DDP client fees, the total costs of the program should be covered by the client fees, with no need for County dollar in Fiscal Year 2005-2006. It is HHSA's intention to revisit these fees on an annual basis to ensure that all costs are covered, and that client fees may be revised as necessary.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . Resolution
- B . Resolution (tracked version)

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Meegan Condon