

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023, 9:00 AM
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER, ROOM 310
1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Order Of Business

- A. Roll Call
- B. Statement (just cause) and/or Consideration of a Request to Participate Remotely (emergency circumstances) by a Supervisor, if applicable.
- C. Invocation
- D. Pledge of Allegiance
- E. Presentation or Announcement of Proclamations and Awards
- F. Non-Agenda Public Communication: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Board on any subject matter within the Board's jurisdiction but not an item on today's agenda.
- G. Approval of the Statement of Proceedings/Minutes for the Regular Board of Supervisors meeting of May 23, 2023; Flood Control District meeting of May 24, 2023; In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority meeting of April 4, 2023; and, the Redevelopment Successor Agency meeting of January 10, 2023.
- H. Consent Calendar
- I. Discussion Items
- J. Board Member Committee Updates. This is an opportunity for Members of the Board to provide informational updates on their committee assignments. No action may be taken.

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Board of Supervisors' Agenda Items

CONSENT CALENDAR

All agenda items listed under this section are considered to be routine and will be acted upon with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board of Directors or the Chief Administrative Officer so requests, in which event, the item will be considered separately in its normal sequence.

Category	#	Subject
Public Safety	1.	PROBATION - RATIFY SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR, AND AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF, GRANT FUNDS FROM BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS; ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF MOBILE PROBATION SERVICE CENTERS GRANT FUNDS; AND COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION OF TWO MOBILE PROBATION SERVICE CENTER VEHICLES [FUNDING SOURCE: BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MOBILE PROBATION SERVICE CENTERS GRANT]

2. PROBATION - ENHANCING THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM THROUGH THE CONTINUATION OF THE ACHIEVEMENT CENTERS THROUGH COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION(S)
[FUNDING SOURCE: ENHANCING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES SUBACCOUNT-JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAM AND JUVENILE PROBATION ACTIVITIES FUNDS]
3. MEDICAL EXAMINER - RATIFY THE SUBMISSION OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM, ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS AND AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
- Health and
Human Services 4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING PROVISIONS IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATED TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY, THE POLINSKY CHILDREN'S CENTER ADVISORY BOARD, AND THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FOSTER CARE SERVICES COMMITTEE (MAY 23, 2023 - FIRST READING; JUNE 13, 2023 - SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING)
5. AUTHORIZE ACTIONS RELATED TO THE 2024-2025 COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN
[FUNDING SOURCE: COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENT AND EXISTING GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
6. AUTHORIZE A SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT WITH SAN DIEGO HEALTH CONNECT FOR LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MULTISTATE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD-BASED NETWORK FOR DISEASE SURVEILLANCE
[FUNDING SOURCE: CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION COVID-19 HEALTH DISPARITIES GRANT AND REALIGNMENT]
7. AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR REFUGEE HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SERVICES WITH FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS OF SAN DIEGO, AUTHORIZE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR REFUGEE HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
[FUNDING SOURCE: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OFFICE OF REFUGEE HEALTH; REALIGNMENT]

8. ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP
9. APPROVE APPOINTMENTS OF BIANCCA BERRY AND NILSA HIGGINS AS HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TENANT COMMISSIONERS AND APPROVE ANGELA ACOSTA AS AN ALTERNATE TENANT COMMISSIONER
[FUNDING SOURCE: FEDERAL FUNDS PROVIDED FOR THE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY'S PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION]
- Financial and
General
Government
10. SUPPORTING OUR FOSTER CARE YOUTH
11. COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 1)
[FUNDING SOURCE: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUE, AND GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
12. COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS AND CEQA EXEMPTIONS (DISTRICT: 2)
[FUNDING SOURCE: TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX AND GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE]
13. NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS AND CEQA EXEMPTION FINDING (DISTRICT: 3)
[FUNDING SOURCE: GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE, ARPA FUNDS AND TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES]
14. SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO ADD SECTION 125.25 TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO ESTABLISH THE CREATION OF A WORKPLACE JUSTICE FUND (5/23/23 - FIRST READING; 6/13/23- SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING)
[FUNDING SOURCE: AVAILABLE GENERAL-PURPOSE REVENUE CURRENTLY BUDGETED IN THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE]
15. AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE APPROVING A SALARY PREMIUM AND DCAO ALLOWANCE FOR THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER POSITION WHILE SERVING IN THE ROLE OF INTERIM HHSA DCAO (6/13/2023 - FIRST READING; 6/27/2023 - SECOND READING, UNLESS THE ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING)

16. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE RELATING
TO THE RATIFIED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE EMPLOYEE
BARGAINING UNITS - DI AND DM REPRESENTED BY THE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION AND
OTHER COMPENSATION ORDINANCE CHANGES (5/23/2023 - FIRST
READING; 6/13/23 - SECOND READING, UNLESS THE ORDINANCE
IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING)
17. SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION
(SDCERA) RETIREMENT BOARD ELECTION - SECOND MEMBER
(GENERAL), EIGHTH MEMBER (RETIRED) AND ALTERNATE
MEMBER (RETIRED)
18. APPROVAL OF THE CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE FOR
SANTEE-LAKESIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
AUTHORITY
19. GENERAL SERVICES - CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY REPAIRS
AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER
[FUNDING SOURCE: CHARGES TO CLIENT DEPARTMENTS]
(4 VOTES)

Appointments 20. APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS

Communications 21. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED
Received

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Category	#	Subject
Health and Human Services	22.	RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT THREE-YEAR PROGRAM AND EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023-24 THROUGH 2025-26 AND SUNSET TIME-CERTAIN REPORTING [FUNDING SOURCES: MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT]
	23.	AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF STATE YOUTH SUICIDE REPORTING AND CRISIS RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAM FUNDING AND WAIVE BOARD POLICY B-29 [FUNDING SOURCE: PENDING AWARD BY THE STATE, WILL BE ONE-TIME CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, INJURY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION BRANCH YOUTH SUICIDE REPORTING AND CRISIS RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAM FUNDS]

Financial and
General
Government

24. ENHANCING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD
REINVESTMENT PROGRAM (NRP) AND COMMUNITY
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CEP) GRANT APPROVAL PROCESS
25. CLOSED SESSION

1. **SUBJECT: PROBATION - RATIFY SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR, AND AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF, GRANT FUNDS FROM BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS; ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF MOBILE PROBATION SERVICE CENTERS GRANT FUNDS; AND COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION OF TWO MOBILE PROBATION SERVICE CENTER VEHICLES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) offers grant funding for counties to establish mobile probation service centers, as approved through the Budget Act of 2022 (Senate Bill 178). The funding is available through a competitive grant program from May 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027. These grants enable county probation departments to purchase vehicles, equipment, telecommunications, and other technology needed to operate mobile probation service centers to assist probationers, particularly those individuals who are unhoused and struggling to meet probation requirements.

Today's request is to ratify the submission of an application for, and acceptance of, \$1,119,180 in grant funds from BSCC for the Mobile Probation Service Centers Grant program and to adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of grant funds. A waiver of Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires full-cost recovery is requested as the grant funds do not reimburse staffing or indirect costs. Additionally, today's action requests the Board to authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting with the Department of General Services, to issue competitive solicitations for two mobile probation service center vehicles. The two mobile probation service center vehicles will be used to reach Probation clients in all areas of the San Diego region and provide connections to programs and services, particularly for clients who are unhoused and/or residing in rural areas. The action will also authorize the Chief Probation Officer to apply for and accept BSCC funding for this program in subsequent years if there are no material changes to the grant terms and funding levels and authorize the Chief Probation Officer to review and execute all required grant and grant-related documents and any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereof that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level, this year and in subsequent years.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Full Cost Recovery, which requires prior approval of grant applications and full-cost recovery for grants and revenue contracts.
2. Ratify the submission of an application for, and authorize the acceptance of, \$1,119,180 in Mobile Probation Service Centers Grant from the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for the period of May 1, 2023 to September 30, 2027 and authorize the Chief Probation Officer to execute the BSCC-related grant documents, including any extensions or annual amendments and/or revisions that do not materially impact the services or funding.

3. Adopt a resolution entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MOBILE PROBATION SERVICE CENTERS GRANT PROGRAM.
4. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting with the Department of General Services to issue competitive solicitations for two mobile probation service center vehicles and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract/s.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Existing barriers continue to prevent many San Diego County Probation Department (Probation) clients from accessing the services and support needed to be successful on supervision. Many Probation clients live in rural areas of the county, experience housing insecurity, and/or lack transportation. These mobile probation service centers will help Probation provide services and resources to clients who would otherwise have difficulty accessing them. Today's actions will provide the mechanisms to overcome these barriers and provide needed services and support.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions support the social sustainability measures by providing just and equitable services to County of San Diego Probation Department (Probation) clients throughout the San Diego region, ensuring the capability to provide resources that help meet the individual needs of Probation's most vulnerable clients where they live and work.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Years 2023-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan Change Letter for the Probation Department. The funding source is the Board of State and Community Corrections Mobile Probation Service Centers Grant (\$1,119,180). The grant does not reimburse costs for staffing and indirect costs, estimated at \$210,000, which will be supported with existing General-Purpose Revenue budgeted in the Fiscal Years 2023-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Probation Department. Future ongoing costs associated with vehicle maintenance and staffing to implement the program will be included in future Operational Plans. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

2. **SUBJECT: PROBATION - ENHANCING THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM THROUGH THE CONTINUATION OF ACHIEVEMENT CENTERS THROUGH COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION(S) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Utilizing evidence informed practices based on the Positive Youth Development Model, the San Diego County Probation Department (Probation) and juvenile justice partners have identified a need for continuation of the Achievement Centers in our local juvenile justice system of care.

Achievement Centers are locations that offer mentoring, tutoring, behavioral health support and social connections to Probation youth and youth in our community. The continued availability of Achievement Centers will assist youth with personal development, educational enrichment and positive community involvement while also promoting public safety. The existing three Achievement Centers provide community-based resources that help youth safely and successfully exit the juvenile justice system, while serving as an important prevention resource for others.

Today's action will authorize the Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation(s) for continued services for Probation and community youth at three existing regional Achievement Centers.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for the continuation of Achievement Centers services for Probation and community youth, and upon successful negotiation and determination of fair and reasonable price, award a contract to a qualified provider(s) for an initial term of four (4) one-year options with an additional six (6) month option period if needed, subject to the availability of funds and a need for the services, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Chief Probation Officer.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego Probation Department recognizes the systematic impact that inequitable policies may create for the youth in the County of San Diego. Serving both Probation youth and youth in the community, Achievement Centers provide ongoing academic support and tutoring, case management, and career exploration and preparation. It is anticipated these actions have a positive impact on all communities served by the Achievement Centers by providing just and equitable access to services and resources.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action contributes to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals of engaging the community and providing just and equitable access to services and resources. The Achievement Centers are a resource linking community and justice involved youth to services with the goal of meeting the underlying needs of individuals and diverting them away from the justice system. The Achievement Center model includes diverse stakeholders and partnerships; subsequently, strengthening community collaboration to sustain an individual's supportive networks and relationships after program completion.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Years 2023-2025 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Probation Department. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$1,683,786.59 in Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Funds for subsequent years will be included in future operational plans for the Probation Department. The funding sources are the Enhancing Law Enforcement Activities Subaccount-Juvenile Justice Program and Juvenile Probation Activities funds. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

3. **SUBJECT: MEDICAL EXAMINER - RATIFY THE SUBMISSION OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM, ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS AND AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) has funding available under the Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program for Fiscal Years 2023-25 to address impacts of impaired driving. The number of drivers under the influence of drugs, or a combination of drugs and alcohol is rising. As illicit drug use continues to increase, it is expected that the number of motor vehicle deaths will also continue to rise. Funding from this program will be used to purchase additional toxicology instrumentation that detects substances in lower concentrations, which meet specific accreditation requirements for identification of various substances. This will enable the Department of the Medical Examiner's Toxicology Laboratory to expand its scope of testing and provide data on emerging drugs and drug trends.

Today's request is to ratify the submission of the CHP Fiscal Years 2023-25 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program application and if awarded, the acceptance of up to \$2,000,000 in grant funds. This is also a request to authorize the Chief Medical Examiner to apply for and accept grant funding from the California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program and execute all required or related grant documents in subsequent years, provided there are no material changes to the grant terms and funding levels and future funding opportunities that would support the department's work related to the drug overdose epidemic.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, and Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires docketing at least fifteen days in advance of date on which the grant request must be received by the granting agency.
2. Ratify the Medical Examiner's grant application to the CHP for the Fiscal Years 2023-25 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program with a performance period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025, in the amount of up to \$2,000,000 and authorize the Chief Medical Examiner to accept the funds if awarded.
3. Authorize the Chief Medical Examiner to apply for and accept funding from the California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program in subsequent years provided there are no material changes to the grant terms and funding level.
4. Authorize the Chief Medical Examiner, and/or designee, in this year and subsequent years, to review and execute all required grant documents, including any annual extensions, amendments and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.

5. Authorize the Chief Medical Examiner, and/or designee, through June 30, 2028, to apply for future funding opportunities for the purpose of supporting the department's work related to the drug overdose epidemic.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Department of the Medical Examiner's mission is to contribute to safe communities and to justice and equity for the residents of San Diego County by certifying the cause and manner of death for all homicides, suicides, accidents and sudden and/or unexpected deaths in the county. Improving the scope of toxicology testing for the Medical Examiner's Toxicology Laboratory benefits the residents in San Diego County, especially those who have been victims of crimes where there is suspected use of, or presence of, drugs. Necessary and timely toxicology testing ensures that victims receive justice, and the safety of affected communities is increased, by aiding in the prosecution of those who sell illicit drugs. Successful prosecution is a step in bringing healing for the victims of crimes, many of whom may have been impacted by community inequities and inequalities.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to pursue grant funds to improve the scope of toxicology testing for the Medical Examiner's Toxicology Laboratory contributes to the County's sustainability goal of protecting the health and wellbeing of justice-involved individuals and the broader community. By providing the latest data on emerging drugs and drug trends, the Medical Examiner contributes to the county's efforts at harm reduction and other public health and criminal efforts to those who have experienced the acute effects of substance use disorder.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's requested actions. If awarded, staff will return to the Board to appropriate funds if necessary. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

4. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING
PROVISIONS IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE
CODE RELATED TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING
ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY, THE POLINSKY
CHILDREN'S CENTER ADVISORY BOARD, AND THE SAN DIEGO
COUNTY FOSTER CARE SERVICES COMMITTEE (MAY 23, 2023 -
FIRST READING; JUNE 13, 2023 - SECOND READING UNLESS
ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING)
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On May 23, 2023 (27), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 13, 2023.

On March 26, 2019 (11) the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) established the Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board of San Diego County (CFSAB) to enhance the ability of the County of San Diego (County) to prevent and respond to child abuse and neglect and to ensure the well-being of children and families. Since its inception, the CFSAB has served as a platform for cross-sector collaboration and transparent monitoring of the San Diego County child welfare system. The CFSAB has allowed for streamlined collaboration and expanded transparent communication and oversight between stakeholders and the newly formed Child and Family Well-Being Department, ensuring foster care community feedback is received by all partners who collectively impact the intertwined elements of the foster care and prevention systems. The holistic approach of the CFSAB has acted as a conduit for reducing siloes amongst child and family serving stakeholders from various areas of the foster care and prevention systems by bringing together individuals and groups that were historically fragmented from each another. If approved, the amendments to the CFSAB ordinance will similarly incorporate the work of the Polinsky Children's Center Advisory Board and the San Diego County Foster Care Services Committee into the work of the CFSAB.

In accordance with the Board's Sunset Review Process, Policy A-76, the County Health and Human Services Agency periodically reviews Board Policies, County Administrative Codes, and Regulatory Codes to ensure policies and codes reflect current Board standards and practices.

Today's actions seek Board approval to amend and repeal provisions of the San Diego County Administrative Code relating to:

- The Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board of San Diego County;
- The Polinsky Children's Center Advisory Board; and
- The San Diego County Foster Care Services Committee

The ordinance will be introduced to the Board on May 23, 2023, and if approved, will be scheduled for adoption on June 13, 2023. If the proposed ordinance is altered on June 13, 2023, a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance's adoption.

This item supports the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically underserved as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished as these County Administrative Codes provide a framework for a county that is healthy, safe, and thriving, specifically for one of our most vulnerable populations, families involved with the foster care system.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Consider and adopt (second reading):

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING PROVISIONS IN THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATED TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING ADVISORY BOARD OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY, THE POLINSKY CHILDREN'S CENTER ADVISORY BOARD, AND THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY FOSTER CARE SERVICES COMMITTEE.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommended changes support the San Diego County Board of Supervisors' framework for achieving better outcomes for the community. The recommended changes to San Diego County Administrative Code 84.500, Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board of San Diego County (CFSAB), ensures the CFSAB receives feedback from stakeholders and community members regarding the implementation, progress, and resources of the Office of Child Safety's programs and services designed to serve families in a consistent and equitable manner. The integration of the Polinsky Children's Center (PCC) and Foster Care Services communities into the larger CFSAB continues to promote transparency for all involved, as the same information is shared among stakeholders and streamlined feedback is provided for consideration by the CFSAB.

Merging the PCC Advisory Board and the Foster Care Services Committee into the CFSAB ensures all areas of the prevention and child welfare systems are included. The composition changes of CFSAB members to include adding a member from child abuse and juvenile justice prevention, supports the newly formed Child and Family Well-Being Department's commitment to engaging in prevention work with children and families. The addition of prevention to the CFSAB will provide feedback and a lens set to reduce disproportionality in the foster care system by partnering with the community to prevent increased child abuse reporting in overrepresented communities and working with families to support efforts at keeping children safe from abuse or neglect and intervention by the Office of Child Safety.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions strive for programs and operations that reflect the County of San Diego's (County) values and priorities. By aligning with the County's Sustainability Goals, the changes reflect more equitable, sustainable, and impactful practices. Specifically, the consolidation of advisory boards as recommended, aligns with Sustainability Goal #1 to engage the community in meaningful ways by streamlining information to and from the public to ensure that it does not get siloed into one committee or advisory board, when the areas of child welfare supports, services, resources, and staffing are intertwined. Today's actions also align with Sustainability Goal #2 providing just and equitable access to county services, resource allocation, and decision-making by facilitating review of all components of the child well-being system in one setting, ensuring stakeholders' input and feedback is received and considered by all appropriate parties. This consolidation provides increased transparency with all child and family serving stakeholders collaborating with the County to move forward towards the goals of community engagement and equitable access that will have lasting impacts on the assessment, evaluation, and continuous quality improvement processes of child welfare activities.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommendations. There will be no change in net general fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

5. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACTIONS RELATED TO THE 2024-2025 COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

As the region's designated Community Action Agency, the County of San Diego is eligible to receive an annual allocation of federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) revenue. CSBG funds local programs that increase economic security for individuals and families, as well as supports civic engagement in low-income communities across all of San Diego County, particularly around addressing barriers to economic inclusion. CSBG revenue is available to California Community Action Agencies each year through a revenue agreement with the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD), pending the submission of a two-year Community Action Plan. On December 7, 2021 (10), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) authorized the Clerk of the Board to execute the latest CSBG revenue agreements and any amendments associated with the Community Action Plan for those same years.

Today's actions requests authorization to submit the Community Action Plan for calendar years 2024 and 2025; acceptance of approximately \$3,540,000 annually in CSBG funding from CSD for the periods of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, and January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025; and authorization to execute CSBG revenue agreements and any amendments. Additionally, today's actions requests authorization to issue competitive procurements for Communities In Action programs and authorization to pursue additional funding opportunities to address barriers to economic inclusion and promote civic engagement in the region's low-income communities.

The programs outlined in the Community Action Plan support the County of San Diego's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. Allowing the continuation of CSBG funded programs helps improve lives by strengthening economic inclusion and civic engagement in low-income communities throughout the region.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Authorize submission of the calendar years 2024 and 2025 Community Action Plan and acceptance of approximately \$3,540,000 annually of Community Services Block Grant funding from the State of California Department of Community Services and Development, for the periods of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, and January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.
2. Authorize the Clerk of the Board, upon receipt, to execute all required revenue agreement documents, including any annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions thereto that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
3. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue competitive solicitations for Communities In Action programs, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a

fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an initial term of one year, with four one-year options and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.

4. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for future funding, including grants, supplemental funding and other funding opportunities for programs or projects that address barriers to economic inclusion and promote civic engagement in the region's low-income communities.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego's Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities, Office of Equitable Communities (HSEC-OEqC), strives to enhance community engagement and collaboration, and devote efforts to meet the needs of underserved communities. HSEC-OEqC's Community Action Partnership (CAP), as the locally designated Community Action Agency, is responsible for administering programs that address locally identified issues of poverty through Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding. CSBG funded programs advance equity and opportunity for economically disadvantaged communities through HSEC-OEqC's mission of focusing on embracing diversity, health equity, economic inclusion, and poverty reduction.

CSBG funding requires community input through a Community Needs Assessment every two years, which utilizes data and information collected to be incorporated into program design and service delivery to reflect the needs and priorities of the community. Strategies for expanding input during this process included utilizing existing meetings, such as the Resident Leadership Academy Council meeting, and a series of needs assessment presentations to gather feedback. CAP and CSBG funding advances equitable opportunities as information collected through the Community Needs Assessment is made available to community stakeholders for their own use in developing and enhancing programs and services addressing similar needs.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions support the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal #1 of engaging the community, Sustainability Goal # 2 of providing just and equitable access, and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region. This will be accomplished by engaging the public and providing residents with opportunities for self-sufficiency through Community Advisory Board meetings, which facilitate discussion regarding program development and oversight of the biennial Community Needs Assessment. These programs serve to remove barriers from low-income families seeking crisis stabilization services, provides opportunities for equitable access to health resources, and reduces the demand on other services.

FISCAL IMPACT

Recommendations 1 and 2: Authorize Submission of the Calendar Years 2024-2025 Community Action Plan and Acceptance of Funding; Authorize the Execution of the CSBG Revenue Agreement for 2024-2025

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of approximately \$1,770,000 in FY 2023-24, and costs and revenue of

approximately \$3,540,000 in FY 2024-25. The funding source is the Community Services Block Grant from the California Department of Community Services and Development. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #3: Authorize Competitive Procurements for Communities In Action Services

Funds for this request are included in the FY 2023-24 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of approximately \$1,200,000 in FY 2023-24 and costs and revenue of approximately \$2,400,000 in FY 2024-25. The funding source is the Community Services Block Grant from the California Department of Community Services and Development and existing General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #4: Authorization to Pursue Future Funding Opportunities

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

6. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE A SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT WITH SAN DIEGO HEALTH CONNECT FOR LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MULTISTATE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD-BASED NETWORK FOR DISEASE SURVEILLANCE (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Detailed and accurate data are critical for planning and implementation of programs, policies, and environmental change through evidence-based approaches, which promote healthy behaviors in San Diego County communities. Program evaluation benefits from detailed information to help assess program outcomes and determine program effectiveness. Traditional large-scale health surveys are designed to provide State and county-level data, but surveys can be lengthy and expensive, and data can be delayed for more than a year after collection for processing and reporting. Emerging methods utilizing de-identified electronic health record data collected at medical visits, hold promise to provide data at the neighborhood level.

On November 2, 2021 (8), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors authorized the extension of contract No. 549622 with the San Diego Regional Healthcare Information Exchange, Inc. doing business as San Diego Health Connect for healthcare information exchange services. Extending this contract enabled the County to continue participation in the regional health information exchange, which brings together various stakeholders in the geographic area, including healthcare providers, hospitals, clinics, payers, and government agencies to safely and securely share health-related information electronically for the purpose of improving health and care.

Today's action, if approved, would authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with the San Diego Regional Healthcare Information Exchange, Inc., doing business as San Diego Health Connect and subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for local implementation of the Multistate Electronic Health Record-Based Network for Disease Surveillance (MENDS) system and to host, maintain, and update the MENDS system. Additionally, today's action would authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, to support future enhancements and continued maintenance of the MENDS system.

This item supports the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind by utilizing non-traditional data sources to improve data-driven services, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with the San Diego Regional Healthcare Information Exchange, Inc., doing business as San Diego Health Connect and subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, award a contract for local implementation of the Multistate Electronic Health Record-Based Network for Disease Surveillance system and to host, maintain, and update the system; for an initial contract period of one year with four option years, and up to an additional six months, if needed, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes in services and funding allocation, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
2. Authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to apply for additional funding opportunity announcements, if available, that would support future enhancements and continued maintenance of the Multi-state Electronic Health Record-Based Network for Disease Surveillance.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Communities of color in San Diego County (county) are disproportionately affected by chronic diseases. California Health Interview Survey data for 2021 indicates, rates of diabetes for African Americans and Latinos in the county are almost 30% higher than rates of diabetes for Caucasians. These disparities are reflected in the social determinants of health and result in dramatic differences in life expectancy. Additionally, the differential impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic are still being felt through increased rates of chronic disease from neglected preventive care as well as diseases resulting from long COVID. Existing data sources lack the specificity to accurately direct resources to historically disadvantaged populations and neighborhoods. The Multistate Electronic Health Record-Based Network for Disease Surveillance (MENDS) system includes a suite of modern data dashboards to display data by demographics and geography for more granular assessments of the most disproportionately

impacted communities and populations. The data and information from MENDS will ensure the focus of public health programs are on the communities most in need, including historically disadvantaged communities.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's proposed action supports Sustainability Goal #2 to focus investment in chronically underserved communities, and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region by developing systems and tools to provide information to help focus public health investments in chronically underserved communities. The Multistate Electronic Health Record-Based Network for Disease Surveillance (MENDS) is based on technology developed and vetted by nationally recognized experts and relies on secondary utilization of existing data, providing useful information at a fraction of the cost of a large health survey. The data provided by MENDS will improve access to County of San Diego (County) services through more accurate assessments of neighborhoods and populations with higher disease rates and enable County staff to track program outcomes to determine the effectiveness of programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$450,000 in FY 2023-24, and estimated costs and revenue of approximately \$125,000 annually in FY 2024-25 through FY 2027-28. The funding sources are the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention COVID-19 Health Disparities Grant and Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

7. **SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR REFUGEE HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SERVICES WITH FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS OF SAN DIEGO, AUTHORIZE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR REFUGEE HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR FUTURE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The United States Refugee Act of 1980, as amended, provided for permanent and systematic procedures for admitting refugees of national interest through uniform provisions and authorizing federal assistance to resettle refugees and promote their self-sufficiency. Since 1983, the federal government has designated San Diego County as an area highly impacted by refugees, therefore qualifying the region for funding. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Office of Refugee Health supports the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services, Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP) in providing culturally and linguistically appropriate comprehensive health assessments to incoming refugees and other eligible individuals.

On June 28, 2022 (3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors approved acceptance of funding from CDPH for tuberculosis control and treatment and refugee health assessment services. The County has a contract with Family Health Centers of San Diego to administer care and provide comprehensive medical and mental health assessments for eligible individuals resettled in San Diego County. Health screenings of newly arrived refugees and asylees minimize communicable disease exposure, identifies serious medical and mental health conditions for intervention, and evaluates health barriers.

Today's request, if approved, would authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to amend contract #563397 with Family Health Centers of San Diego for refugee health medical services, to increase the contract amount, and to issue a Competitive Solicitation. This item supports the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities by building better access to high quality medical care that leads to improved physical and behavioral health.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to amend contract No. 563397 with Family Health Centers of San Diego for refugee health assessment medical services, to increase the contract amount for the projected increase in number of refugee health assessments, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
2. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to issue a competitive solicitation for Refugee Health Assessment Program services, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contract/s for an initial term of one year with four option years and up to an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes to services and funding.
3. Authorize the Agency Director, or designee, Health and Human Services Agency, to apply for future funding opportunities to support refugee health assessment services.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Achieving health equity requires addressing societal inequalities, historical and contemporary injustices, and healthcare disparities. This will be done by ensuring newly arriving refugees are given access to resources, through the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services, Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP), which promotes the overall health and well-being of those disproportionately impacted. To support self-sustainability in terms of health and well-being among the newly arriving refugee population, refugees are provided with a comprehensive medical assessment within the first 90 days of arrival through the RHAP. The initial assessment, based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for arriving refugees, includes a medical history, physical exam, mental health screening, and laboratory screening for infectious conditions such as

intestinal parasites, tuberculosis, syphilis, HIV, and hepatitis B and C. Depending on age, medical history, and other risk factors, the refugees are also assessed for non-infectious conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, anemia, and lead poisoning. Medical assessments of arriving refugee populations, with timely collection and review of health data, enables early detection, treatment, and follow-up on conditions and can help the County develop and set priorities for population-specific health interventions and guidelines.

In Fiscal Year 2021-22, RHAP services were provided to 1,649 newly arriving refugees in San Diego County. Patients who were diagnosed with a serious medical condition and/or mental health condition were referred to a specialty provider for follow-up care as part of the Refugee Health Prevention Promotion Program which is a component of RHAP.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions support the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and wellbeing of the region. This will be accomplished through a continuous investment in chronically underserved communities and building resilience in vulnerable populations. The services provided by the County Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services, Refugee Health Assessment Program, via the current contract, focus on protecting health and wellbeing, in partnership with community partners. Refugee health assessments serve to provide early detection and identification of infectious and chronic diseases. If patients are given timely proper care and treatment, this will improve the overall health of communities, reduce the demand of associated care services, while increasing effectiveness of care providers and lowering operating costs of facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

Recommendation #1: Authorize Contract Amendment with Family Health Centers of San Diego for Refugee Health Assessment Program Services

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs of \$242,021 and revenue of \$237,281. The funding source is the California Department of Public Health, Office of Refugee Health. On June 28, 2022 (3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors approved a waiver of Board Policy B-29 since this funding does not offset all costs. These costs which will not be recovered are estimated at \$4,740 and the funding source is Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #2: Authorize Competitive Solicitation for Refugee Health Assessment Program Services

Funds for this request are included in the FY 2023-2024 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs of \$652,006 and revenue of \$637,784 for FY 2023-24, and estimated costs of \$869,342 and revenue of \$850,378 for FY 2024-25. The funding source is the California Department of Public Health, Office of Refugee Health. On June 28, 2022 (3), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors approved a waiver of Board Policy B-29 since this funding does not offset all costs. These costs which will not be recovered are estimated at \$14,223 in FY 2023-24 and estimated at \$18,964 for FY 2024-25, and the funding source is Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

Recommendation #3: Authorize Apply for Future Funding Opportunities to Support Refugee Health Assessment Services

There is no fiscal impact related to this recommendation. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

8. SUBJECT: ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

On December 15, 2015 (8), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) adopted a resolution establishing the County of San Diego (County) HIV Planning Group (HPG). The HPG was established with the goal of unifying the HIV Health Services Planning Council and the HIV Prevention Group into a single planning body in order to better coordinate HIV services. The HPG serves as an official advisory board to the Board and meets statutory requirements related to receipt of federal funds under the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act of 2009 (RWTEA). RWTEA funds are allocated by the HPG and used to provide health care and supportive services to San Diego residents living with HIV.

By-Laws for the HPG were last amended on November 13, 2018 (16). The amendments adopted in 2018 addressed governance and operational items, added additional seats to ensure the HPG reflects those living with or at risk for HIV infection, established term limits for all HPG members, and added conflict of interest language and standards of conduct. Today's action requests adoption of additional amendments to HPG By-Laws. The proposed amendments and clarifications address governance and operational items including the nomination and renomination process, membership composition, term of office, duties, and committee requirements.

Today's action supports the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished through education, prevention, and intervention to interrupt transmission of disease and improve the health of San Diego County residents. Additionally, this item supports the County's Getting to Zero initiative, a 10-year plan to halt the local HIV epidemic, by planning and allocating resources dedicated to services for residents who are living with or vulnerable to HIV.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Adopt the amended By-Laws entitled HIV PLANNING GROUP BY-LAWS.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Since the beginning of the epidemic, HIV has disproportionately impacted the most vulnerable residents. According to Gallup, Gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men, for instance, are currently estimated to comprise less than 2% of the adult population in the United

States, and yet they comprise 62% of recent HIV diagnoses and 71% of persons living with HIV. In San Diego County, much like the rest of the United States, HIV has disproportionately impacted Black and Hispanic communities. In San Diego County, Black individuals make up less than 5% of the county's population, yet comprised 12% of HIV diagnoses from 2017 through 2021. Additionally, Hispanic individuals make up 34% of the population of the county, yet comprised 48% of HIV diagnoses over the same time period. The County of San Diego continuously explores funding resources to further address these disparities.

Since its inception in 1990, the Ryan White Treatment Extension Act of 2009 has focused on ensuring access to treatment and support services for the most vulnerable residents. During the Fiscal Year 2021-22 grant period, a total of 3,313 clients received services funded by Ryan White Part A in San Diego County. Of those clients, 54% were Hispanic and 13% were Black. The success in reaching residents and communities most disproportionately impacted by HIV through the use of this funding is due in large part to HIV Planning Group's legislative authority to allocate Ryan White Part A funding to respond to local needs as determined by review of epidemiologic data and extensive engagement with affected communities.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions align with the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect health and well-being of San Diego County residents. The priorities and allocations developed by the HIV Planning Group will provide support to the HIV, STD and Hepatitis Branch within the County Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services and in turn to HIV service providers throughout San Diego County by increasing capacity and services aimed to prevent, identify, and treat HIV. Timely testing, identification, and treatment of HIV will improve the overall health of communities, reduce the demand of associated care services, while increasing effectiveness of care providers and lowering operating costs of facilities, thus further advancing Sustainability Goal #3, by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and waste generated within the care sector.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

9. **SUBJECT: APPROVE APPOINTMENTS OF BIANCCA BERRY AND NILSA HIGGINS AS HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO TENANT COMMISSIONERS AND APPROVE ANGELA ACOSTA AS AN ALTERNATE TENANT COMMISSIONER (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The Housing Authority of the County of San Diego (County Housing Authority) Board of Commissioners consists of the five members of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) and two tenant commissioners. The tenant commissioners, as voting members of the County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, provide a formal mechanism for participant

involvement in the interpretation and enforcement of policies and procedures of housing programs administered by the County Housing Authority.

Today's action requests that the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approve the appointment of Bianca Berry to fill the general tenant commissioner seat vacancy for the term that expires May 31, 2024, and start a new term commencing June 1, 2024, and approve the appointment of Nilsa Higgins to fill the senior tenant commissioner seat vacancy for the term that expires May 31, 2025. Today's action further requests that the Board approve the appointments of Angela Acosta as an alternate tenant commissioner for the general seat who will be available to assume this seat should it become vacant during the appointed term. The County Housing Authority did not identify a candidate to recommend as an alternate to the senior tenant commissioner seat. The purpose of the appointment of alternate tenant commissioners is to minimize the impact of unexpected vacancies on the administration of the County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

This item supports the County of San Diego's (County) vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. In addition, this item supports the County's Framework for Ending Homelessness. This will be accomplished by including tenant commissioners as the voice of the customer in the administration of housing programs and providing stability to the administration of the County Housing Authority's rental assistance and voucher programs.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Appoint Bianca Berry to serve as Housing Authority of the County of San Diego General Tenant Commissioner to complete the remainder of the current term, effective the date of this meeting through May 31, 2024, and to commence a new two-year term on June 1, 2024.
2. Appoint Nilsa Higgins to serve as Housing Authority of the County of San Diego Senior Tenant Commissioner to complete the remainder of the current term, effective the date of this meeting through May 31, 2025.
3. Appoint Angela Acosta as an alternate tenant commissioner who may be appointed at the discretion of the Director or Deputy Director of the Housing Authority of the County of San Diego to complete the term of a general seat left vacant on or before May 31, 2025.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Housing Authority of the County of San Diego (County Housing Authority) administers various rental subsidy programs funded by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) intended to assist very low-income households afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. As mandated by federal regulations, at least 75% of applicants must qualify as an extremely low-income family with income at or below 30% of the area median income (\$33,100 for a family of two and/or \$41,350 for a family of four) and the remaining applicants must not exceed the low-income maximum of 50% of the area median income (\$55,150 for a family of two and/or \$68,900 for a family of four).

The County Housing Authority incorporates transparency and open government in development of policy and budget through presentations to the Resident Advisory Board and involvement of tenant commissioners. Resident Advisory Board meetings are held throughout the year and facilitate discussion regarding housing needs within the community. Tenant commissioners serve on the County Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners as required by law. One of the two appointed tenant commissioner seats must be filled by a tenant who is 62 years of age or older. Recruitment was open to current Public Housing residents and Section 8 participants. To engage interested candidates to serve as a tenant commissioner, the County Housing Authority issued a recruitment announcement, a fact sheet, and application via U.S. mail, and email bulletin in English, Arabic, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Tagalog. The County Housing Authority is committed to continuing efforts to provide rental assistance and advancing equitable access and opportunity for households served in these programs to live in safe and affordable housing.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions align with the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal #1 of engaging the community, Sustainability Goal #2 of providing just and equitable access, and Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and wellbeing of the region. This will be accomplished by engaging the public and assisted tenants in the policy planning process, creating intentional collaborative community engagement opportunities. In this way, tenant commissioners can stay abreast of the policy impacts to the Housing Authority of the County of San Diego's (County Housing Authority) program participants. The inclusion of tenant commissioners brings a lived experience lens to the governing body of the County Housing Authority when approving program activities such as the Public Housing Agency Plan, the annual budget requests for funding, changes in program administration, and implementation of housing programs. These programs serve to remove barriers from low-income families seeking to live in areas of greater economic opportunity. Equitable access to housing reduces the demand on community services which may lessen the overall environmental impact on the region.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Housing Authority of the County of San Diego (County Housing Authority) Recommended Budget. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of \$50 per diem compensation for each County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners meeting attended by the tenant commissioners in FY 2023-24, in accordance with California Health and Safety Code section 34274. This per diem compensation will result in costs of approximately \$300. The funding source is federal funds provided for the County Housing Authority's program administration. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

This request will have a positive impact on the business community as it supports the governance of the Housing Authority of the County of San Diego and programs that provide rental assistance income to participating landlords.

10. SUBJECT: SUPPORTING OUR FOSTER CARE YOUTH (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

In 2022, nearly 3,000 children utilized San Diego County Child Welfare Services, with 2,360 youth ages 21 years of age and under participating in the County's foster care system. Our Child Welfare system has improved the lives of youth and their families through recent initiatives including enhanced adoption efforts, reunification, expanded parent-child interaction therapy and counseling, and investments in fatherhood engagement and visitation efforts. The County has also committed to ensuring that foster youth who are entitled to survivorship benefits from the Social Security Administration (SSA) receive the full amount of those financial benefits when they reach a certain age and exit the foster care system.

In California, youth can elect to remain in foster care up to the age of 21. Over 85% of San Diego youth choose to remain in care until this age. Unfortunately, it is estimated that 25% of foster youth will become homeless the day they exit the system, with 40%-50% of former foster youth becoming homeless within eighteen months of leaving. Studies show that approximately 50% of the homeless population spent time in foster care. These statistics demonstrate the overrepresentation of former foster youth within the homeless population and their susceptibility of falling into homelessness.

By ensuring SSA survivor benefits are protected and made available to foster youth when exiting the foster care system, counties can help reduce these numbers by ensuring that foster youth have access to funds they can use in transitioning to an independent life.

Foster youth, particularly those whose parents are deceased, do not have the same access to resources and support as non-foster youth. Fortunately, the Social Security Administration will typically provide minors without living parents or legal guardians monthly survivorship benefits. However, when a youth enters foster care, placement agencies and municipalities have historically received available benefits on behalf of the youth, using these funds to pay for their care and needs. This practice places this vulnerable population at a disadvantage by denying them funds they could otherwise use to begin their life independent of the foster care system.

In April 2023, San Diego County ended this practice when the Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) stopped counting SSA income against a foster care grant and using these funds to pay for their needs. Accrued SSA benefits now remain in a reserve account for the youth until they turn 16 years old.

Today's action recommends the Board of Supervisors adopt a position of support for Assembly Bill 1512 (Bryan). If enacted into law, AB 1512 would result in the following:

1. Require all California counties to screen and begin applying for SSA benefits within 60 days of a child's entry into care
2. Notify youth recipients and their attorneys when benefits are applied for/received
3. Engage youth in planning for conserved funds
4. Ensure funds are used for a child's unmet current needs or conserved for their foreseeable future needs, and monitor annual accounting of use of funds
5. Provide financial counseling or training to new representative payees on establishing proper accounts to preserve eligibility/managing/disbursing funds

RECOMMENDATION(S)**SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND AND SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON**

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to express the County's support for Assembly Bill 1512, consistent with Board Policy M-2.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Foster youth are among the most vulnerable in our community. The enactment of AB 1512 will help ensure that foster youth throughout the State receive the same benefits and resources as non- foster care youth.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to support AB 1512 would contribute to the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal of providing just and equitable access for underserved populations.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's actions to support AB 1512. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years, at this time.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

**11. SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT AND NEIGHBORHOOD
REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 1)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)**CHAIR NORA VARGAS**

1. Allocate \$57,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) budget (Org 12905) to Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce to support staff salaries, organize, and host educational programs for chamber members and business owners, purchase computers and software for staff use, and fund operational costs for their Visitor Center. The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the organization's ability to obtain funds and staffing to provide their necessary service to businesses due to closures, public health concerns, and work shortages. This allocation will help address this impact of the pandemic on the funded organization.
2. Allocate \$85,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) budget (Org 12905) to South County Economic Development Council d.b.a. South County EDC to support staff salaries, rental costs, and towards hosting economic events to benefit binational development, investment, and job creation. The impact from the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted their traditional programming and fundraising efforts, hindered their ability to support local businesses due to closures, public health concerns,

and work shortages. This allocation will help address this impact of the pandemic on the funded organization.

3. Allocate \$50,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) budget (Org 12905) to The San Diego River Park Foundation to support staff salaries, purchasing personal protective equipment and supplies such as safety vests, gloves, hand sanitizer, disposal containers, and first aid kits. Funding also includes support for program activities including trash removal supplies, costs to haul and dispose of trash and debris, data mapping software, and tools. The COVID-19 pandemic hindered the organization's ability to fundraise and subsequently provide adequate cleanups and support other activities along the San Diego River due to closures and public health concerns. This allocation will help address these impacts of the pandemic on the funded organization.
4. Allocate \$37,428 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) budget (Org 12905) to Women's History Reclamation Project d.b.a. Women's Museum of California ~~Women's History Reclamation Project d.b.a. Women's Museum of California~~ to support staff salaries and costs associated with accounting services. Funding also includes the purchase of personal protective equipment, tablets to support remote work, as well as rental costs, and facility cleaning and restoration costs. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Women's Museum was forced to close, and all major revenue streams were negatively impacted. This allocation will help address this impact of the pandemic on the funded organization and allow for continued operations for the benefit of the community.
5. Allocate \$3,815 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Write Out Loud to support funding towards a kamishibai program that includes the Japanese tradition of live storytelling and illustrations to be presented in classrooms and libraries. Funding also includes support for their Let Your Voice Be Heard poetry initiative for youth that will include writing workshops, a digital magazine, and towards a public event to showcase their work.
6. Allocate \$36,601 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15650) to Support the Enlisted Project, Inc. to provide funding towards purchasing needed office and video equipment for staff such as laptops and desktop computers, iPads and iPad Pros, iPad cases, Apple pencils, a video camera, a video teleprompter, a tripod, and a memory card.
7. Amend the purpose of the 10/11/2022 (4) allocation of \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce to include salary support to the program. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
8. Amend the purpose of the 3/14/2023 (15) allocation of \$75,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) budget (Org 12905) to Robotics Inspiring Science and Engineering, Inc. to include the purchase of tools and equipment to produce low-cost robotic components. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to amend the grant agreement accordingly.

9. Find that all the grants serve a public purpose and that the grants awarded using ARPA funds are necessary to address an impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the funded organizations.
10. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to enter into agreements and make minor amendments to agreements that do not change the purpose or amount of the grant to organizations awarded funds.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

We recognize the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents in San Diego County. Find that these proposed allocations of funds are intended to improve the quality of life throughout the County by providing funds for non-profits and local agencies whose work addresses inequities, promotes quality of life, and improves outcomes that align with the vision of our county. Organizations and agencies were chosen based on their location or the demographics they serve with a focus on organizations and agencies that focus on vulnerable community members, youth and seniors, and other inclusive community events. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach, and programs. Their supporting documents were reviewed as well as impact reports and community testimony.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for these grant requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905), Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15650). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$229,428 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905), \$3,815 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) and \$36,601 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15650) totaling \$269,844. The funding sources are American Rescue Plan Act, Transient Occupancy Tax Revenue, and General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

12. **SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS AND CEQA EXEMPTIONS (DISTRICT: 2)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

1. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the California Council on Economic Education for staff payroll, venue rental cost, and printing educational materials to host Smartpath and financial literacy workshops in Title 1 schools in District 2 to educate students, their families, and teachers on making informed financial decisions.
2. Allocate \$55,391 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Carter-Smith, Post No. 5867, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States located at 12650 Lindo Lane, Lakeside, CA 92040 to fund the renovation of their canteen and kitchen through the purchase and installation of new furniture, sinks, counters, and shelving, which provides over 400 meals annually to Lakeside veterans their family members, community members, and visitors.
3. Allocate \$3,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Kiwanis Club of Poway, California to purchase 300 bicycle helmets for distribution to Poway's children free of charge to aid in the prevention of pediatric brain injuries during the Poway Neighborhood Emergency Safety Fair event. Funds will also be used to purchase games, batteries, wrapping paper, stuffed animals, and other event related items to help facilitate Holidays with Heroes event.
4. Allocate \$105,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Lakeside Chamber of Commerce to fund facility and website maintenance costs, payroll, and other event related expenses that will foster community unity and tourism within the city of Lakeside. Thus aligning with the mission of the Lakeside Chamber of Commerce to promote economic development for the businesses and residents of Lakeside. Additionally, a portion of the funds will also go towards the design, purchase, and installation of a commemorative bench at the Lakeside Skatepark located at the Lindo Lake County Park in honor of dedicated community volunteer "Miss Terry" Burke-Eiserling.
5. Allocate \$7,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Poway Youth Rugby, for payroll, and to purchase goal posts and matching team jerseys for all age groups. Funds will help grow the sport of rugby in Poway and provide a healthy outlet for youth to exercise and develop teamwork and social skills.
6. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to River Valley Charter School PTO to expand its athletics department and improve the quality of life for students, parents, teachers, and coaches by diversifying its offering of sports to students and purchasing new sporting equipment, facility improvements such as turf improvement and related field expenses. That seeks to enhance the quality of life for both River Valley and opposing teams, and payroll for coaching staff for the upcoming school year.

7. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Somali Family Service of San Diego in the City of El Cajon to provide food, toiletries, clothing, cleaning equipment, and many other essentials for their Refugee Program Support that serves refugees and immigrants to integrate into the community and help them become self-sufficient and contributing members of the San Diego community.
8. Allocate \$200,000 from the Community Enhancement ARPA budget (Org 12905) to Grossmont Union High School District to fund the replacement of the field turf on the Santee Community Stadium Football Field located at Santana High School to better serve students and the community at-large which has access to the fields through youth and adult sports leagues and recreational play. The Grossmont Union High School District was adversely impacted by COVID-19 restrictions as they had to transition their operations outside of school facilities, limit access to on-campus activities for community members, and school sports programs were stopped. This funding will help improve outdoor facilities that have seen increased use as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
9. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement ARPA budget (Org 12905) to Lions, Tigers & Bears to purchase weather resistant benches for visitors at the Lions, Tigers & Bears Nature Reserve located at 24402 Martin Way, Alpine, CA, 91901. Lions, Tigers & Bears was adversely impacted by COVID-19 as the pandemic saw loss in revenue needed to care for the wildlife, both as a result of decreased visitor traffic and the cancellation of fundraising events. This funding will help provide resources that could not otherwise be delivered because of the loss of revenue during the pandemic.
10. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement ARPA budget (Org 12905) to Rancho Bernardo Historical Society to promote and host the Rancho Bernardo Pancake Festival by funding the printing of promotional materials and digital advertising, and the rental of portable restrooms/wash stations, chairs, canopies, and dumpsters and assist with one-time rent and cleaning services for the museum located at 13330 Paseo Del Verano Norte, San Diego, CA 92128. The Rancho Bernardo Historical Society was adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through compliance with response measures by ceasing operations and suspension of events, which resulted in loss of fundraising revenue necessary to maintain the museum operations.
11. Amend the purpose of 4/4/23 (15) allocation of \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program Budget (Org 12900) to the Tierrasanta Foundation to enhance the quality of life of Tierrasanta residents by making improvements to the Tierrasanta Pool and Rec Center, develop a newsletter software to help connect and inform the community, and support the annual Tierrasanta Monster Mash 5k, including purchase of banner/digital and print advertising, fee and permit costs, one-time event insurance, and logo artwork/design services. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs Office, to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
12. Find that the grants have a public purpose and that the grants made using American Rescue Plan Act funds are necessary to address an adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organizations receiving funds.

13. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to execute grant agreements or amendments to agreements with the organizations awarded grants establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grants but do not increase the grants.
14. Find that the allocations to Carter-Smith, Post No. 5867, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Lakeside Chamber of Commerce, River Valley Charter School PTO, Grossmont Union High School District, Lions Tigers & Bears, and Tierrasanta Foundation are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

We recognize that the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents in San Diego County. Find that these proposed allocations of funds are intended to improve the quality of life throughout the County by providing funds for nonprofits whose work addresses inequities, promotes a better quality of life and improves outcomes that align with the vision of our county. Organizations were chosen based on their location or the demographics they serve with a focus on organizations that serve vulnerable community members, youth events and inclusive community events. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach, and programs. Their supporting documents were reviewed as well as impact reports and community testimony.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The investment of these grant funds into the specified community organizations and non-profits will promote the financial sustainability and economic viability of San Diego County communities for generations to come.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the grant allocations are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Community Enhancement budget (Org 12900) and Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$205,891 from the Community Enhancement budget (Org 12900) and \$220,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905) totaling \$425,891. The funding sources are Transient Occupancy Tax and General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

13. **SUBJECT: NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT AND COMMUNITY
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS AND CEQA EXEMPTION
FINDING (DISTRICT: 3)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR TERRA LAWSON-REMER

1. Allocate \$5,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Albion 12 Foundation for the purchase of two storage containers for soccer equipment storage at Robb Field.
2. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Children's Legal Services of San Diego, a nonprofit public benefit corporation for upgrades to their technology infrastructure, including computers, monitors, laptops, business cards, and client toolkits which include one pagers of Foster Care Bill of Rights, Dependency Case Flow Chart, map to the court room, and Keep me Safe guidelines.
3. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Coastal Community Foundation to support the replacement of existing, time-sensitive software including Foundant Community Suite, Grant Lifecycle, and Scholarship Lifecycle Management Packages to increase philanthropic donations and grant-making.
4. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Community Resource Center for the one-time purchase of a server with software including, Foundant Community Suite CRM software, replacement of network security, firewall appliance, installation and labor, and employee workstations with laptops, Windows professional software, monitor, keyboard, mouse, and laptop case.
5. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Encinitas Chamber of Commerce to support the reconstruction of the Encinitas Chamber of Commerce, and Encinitas Visitor Center Websites to drive economic growth by providing a platform where businesses can connect with each other and the community, and where residents and visitors can learn about local businesses, attractions, and events as well as the purchase of a professional conference table and chairs.
6. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Encinitas Rotary Club Foundation to support their annual fundraiser with the purchase of canopies, feather flags, wristbands, banners, posters, frames, tape, sandwich boards, radio headset, field recorder, HDMI cables, wireless audio extender, audio projector, printed programs, tickets, marketing video to promote annual fundraising events, plates, napkins, cups, spoons, bowls and glasses, first aid kits, zip ties, sharpies, name tags and signage.
7. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank for the one-time purchase and installation of two high-speed roll-up doors at the main distribution warehouse.
8. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Juvenile Justice Advocates of California for the one-time purchase of technology devices including laptops, computers, and phones to improve administrative and programmatic tasks.

9. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Labor's Training and Development Community Alliance to purchase of Wheelchair Access Vehicles (WAV's).
10. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to La Jolla Community Center for the purchase of an audio system, projector, screen, remotes, and charging station.
11. Allocate \$25,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to La Jolla Village Merchants Association, Inc. to support its wayfinding signs and installation with the purchase of aluminum panels, directional sign panels, hidden staircase signs, parking sign panels, permits, engineering, and graphic design services.
12. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Mainly Mozart, Inc. to support the purchase of chairs, tents, banners, posters, flyers, computers, and printers.
13. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Operation HOPE - North County, Incorporated to support upgrades to their telecom network with cabling, repair/upgrade the HVAC system and to upgrade their Wi-Fi System.
14. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Ronald McDonald House Charities to support the cost of renovation of the Siesta Suites upgrades including floor to ceiling cabinets, flooring, furniture and fixtures, and paint.
15. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the San Diego Ballet for the one-time capital investment to design and produce a theatrical stage with a Printhead Studio Digitally Printed Media with Vertical seams and sides at the Magnolia theatre at 210 E Main St in El Cajon along with the purchase of laptops to assist with productions.
16. Allocate \$20,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the San Diego County Breastfeeding Coalition to support the purchase of the Breastfeeding resource guides and rights cards for distribution to local families, hospitals, businesses, and community-based organization.
17. Allocate \$15,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the San Diego Food Systems Alliance for the purchase of desks, tables, screens, meeting owl 3 video, microphones, speakers, rugs, a bookshelf, coffee machine, refrigerator, water filtration system and pin board.
18. Allocate \$3,500 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the San Diego Musical Theatre for purchase of materials for the Academy Summer Camp Project, including puppetry kits, paper, glue, speakers, board games, headshots, T-shirts, makeup kits, and fabric.

19. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the San Diego Youth Symphony and Conservancy to support the creation of a state-of-the-art website to boost public awareness of early childhood music education programs.
20. Allocate \$5,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to SD Nari, Inc. to support outreach events with the purchase of a sound system, tables, chairs, tent, fliers, and giveaways including shirts, caps, pens, and magnets.
21. Allocate \$14,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to the Solana Center for Environmental Innovation for the purchase of hardware including printers, sales terminal, and tablets, as well as software including Clicktime, Domains Priced Right, and ESRI ArcGIS to support sales for engaging the community, and vehicle wraps.
22. Allocate \$8,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to Villa Musica for the purchase of chairs, tables, carts, cordless phones, Kentekloth, rhythm sticks, drums, drum sets, soprano recorders, and a cello.
23. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to BIPOC Support Foundation to support the Explore Next Door Youth Enrichment Programs by supporting the salaries of BIPOC Support Foundation staff and New Village Teaching Artists staff, as well as the cost of renting the Dea Hurston Center Facilities.
24. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Canyon Crest Academy Foundation, Inc. to support the remodel and renovation of two indoor spaces with an outdoor space to host meetings, speakers, and events and to pay for a guest artist to live stream the Canyon Crest Academy 2023 Graduation.
25. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Carlsbad Village Business Association to support the Association's Art in the Village, Taste of Carlsbad Village, and Halloween thru the village events with costs including licensing fees and permits, sanitation and safety, music, marketing fliers, and printing costs.
26. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Catalyst of San Diego & Imperial Counties for the production costs and artist fees for ballets rooted in Black history, and complimentary attendance for students.
27. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Coastal Community Foundation for the partial salary of bookkeeping staff to facilitate growth of donors, nonprofit partners, and charitable impact.
28. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Community Resource Center to support the salary of staff to distribute nutritious food including bread, fruits, vegetables, beverages, and ready to eat items to 3700 food insecure people in North County San Diego.

29. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Del Mar Foundation to support costs of 2023 Summer Twilight Concerts including artist fees, rental, set-up/rigging, and audio engineer for sound system and lighting.
30. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Hands of Peace to pay for the partial salary of staff for the summer youth program.
31. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Juvenile Justice Advocates of California to support the salaries of a Program Coordinator for Youth Development, a programs coordinator, a part-time Mentor/Program Facilitator, and partial salary for the Executive Director.
32. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Kim Center to support their LEAPS playbook workshop including salary support, meeting, transcription, and communication services for digitizing workshops, as well as venue and parking rental, and workshop materials for participants, including printouts of surveys and supplementary research.
33. Allocate \$17,500 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to MCRD Museum Foundation to support staff salaries for their events with veterans to host their Tuesday Tavern, Marine Corp Reunion, Family Forever and to purchase a printer.
34. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to National Foundation for Autism Research to support NFAR Cyber training program's annual operation needs by supporting the salaries of instructors.
35. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to North County San Diego Womxn's March to support the salaries of a project coordinator and social media coordinator, social media advertising, and rental space for training sessions and community events. Waive Board Policy B-58 to the extent that it prohibits awards that exceed 50% of the recipient's current fiscal year operating budget.
36. Allocate \$5,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to North Shore Symphony to support the cost of rental fees, purchase music, equipment storage fees, insurance cost and ASCAP fees.
37. Allocate \$12,151 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Positive Action Community Theatre to support the salaries of staff for and costs of theatre and facilities rentals for in-person theatre workshops, and online improv theatre workshops.
38. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Rancho de los Penasquitos Town Council, Inc. to cover costs of the Fiesta de los Penasquitos Street Fair including staging, restroom and sink rentals, sound system and security.

39. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Safe Harbor Coronado to support the salaries of staff for family support counseling and healthy family's community education.
40. Allocate \$25,800 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to The Surfrider Foundation to support staff salaries to conduct research and collect data along the coast, data analysis on Coastal Storm Damage Reduction project and a surfability report.
41. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation to cover the costs of vendor invoices including, Black Knight Termite and Pest Control, Coast Waste Management and Konica Minolta, and facility cleaning and restoration services to ensure proper sanitization and cleanliness. Agua Hedionda suffered losses in business operations due to COVID-19 that required them to shut down operations at times as they were not an essential business. When able to open outdoors, adjustments were made for the community to walk around the building and benefit from the environmental education at a safe distance. This funding will help address these impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization.
42. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Coastal Community Foundation to support marketing and donor efforts. Funds will support the salaries of staff to conduct donor and community engagement series to educate new and existing donors and individuals. COVID-19 severely impacted Coastal Community Foundation's ability to create opportunities to connect with the community as well as new and old donors. This funding will help address these impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization.
43. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Coastal Roots Farm for the reimbursement of payroll expenses. Coastal Roots Farm incurred losses during COVID-19 due to changes in programs conducted at the Farm, including education programs for school, Farm Camp, and group visits that resulted in loss of revenue. This funding will help address this impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization.
44. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to ConnectMed International to support Camp Cosmos programs in San Diego County including, online meetups, cultural and art therapeutic activities, and outdoor activities such as fieldtrips to the beach park or museums. Funds will support the costs of these excursions as well as the salaries of staff for barrier-free counseling, year-round telehealth counseling sessions, and drama therapy workshops. ConnectMed was significantly hindered in its growth of mental health and psychosocial outreach programs during COVID-19 due to social distancing and closure restrictions. This funding will help address this impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization.

45. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Empowering Latino Futures to cover the salaries of staff for the International Latino Book Awards event. Due to COVID-19, Empowering Latino Futures two signature events, the Latino Book & Family Festival and the International Book Awards had to be held virtually which resulted in a dramatic loss of participants and thus revenue. This funding will help address these impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization.
46. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Feeding San Diego cover the costs of PPE and laptops to increase technical capacity and enable alternative work forms. COVID-19 prompted an increase in operations and costs due to increased food and transportation costs.
47. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Foundation for Animal Care and Education for software to create a tailored Salesforce CRM Cloud to streamline the application process for both FACE clients and veterinary partners. COVID-19 has resulted in a steady increase in the number of people requesting support for their pets as the number of pet adoptions increased and this funding is necessary to help address this pandemic impact on the organization.
48. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the La Jolla Music Society to support the cost of PPE as well as the capital investment of outdoor spaces with the setup of tables and chairs to meet social distancing guidelines to protect employee and public health for the Wu Tsai Concert series. COVID-19 caused the closure of theatres and cancellation of performances which were the core of La Jolla Music Society's activities and increased program delivery costs because of the need to acquire PPE and take other public health precautions.
49. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to Mainly Mozart, Inc. to support the cost of the All-Star Orchestra Festival at the Surf Sports Park with staging, covering for the orchestra, sound system, lighting rigs, and LED screens. COVID-19 caused many concert series to be transitioned to outdoors resulting in increased costs. This funding is necessary to address these impacts of the pandemic on the organization.
50. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Malashock Dance & Company to support payroll costs for employee retention and rent payments for closed locations. COVID-19 caused Malashock to shut down operations including facilities and classes which resulted in a loss of revenue. This funding is necessary to address this impact of the pandemic on the funded organization.
51. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the MANA de San Diego to support with the cost of staff salaries, technology to facilitate staff to work from home. MANA will use the funds to recover from the financial hardship of paying unexpected expense that include online programming. Funding for technology will help cover the cost of Hopin software that

allowed them to provide virtual programming. This funding is needed to address these increased costs incurred by the organization to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic because of the need to work virtually and the loss of revenue attributable to event closures and social distancing.

52. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the New Village Arts, Inc. to support with the costs of PPE, facility cleaning, and new marketing for outdoor programs. COVID-19 impacted New Village Arts traditional artistic experiences, and costs were incurred to transition programs and arts to outdoor spaces to protect public and employee safety.
53. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Point Loma Summer Concerts for the support of hosting summer concerts, including sound tech, stage lighting, first aid, and ambulance. Funds will also go to operational expenses including stage rental, security, pole lights, generators, and porta potty stations. Due to COVID-19, previous years events were canceled resulting in a loss of fundraising, sponsorships, and revenue. Additional costs were incurred to stage events outdoors taking into consideration public health concerns associated with the pandemic.
54. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Quail Botanical Gardens Foundation, Inc. to support the purchase of software technology including contactless purchase of tickets, timed ticketing, and control of visitation. COVID-19 required the Quail Botanical Garden to upgrade its visitor management systems to comply with outdoor reopening guidelines.
55. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Rancho Bernardo Historical Society to cover the cost of rent for the museum as well as support the costs of their Pancake Festival including restroom, tables, chair, canopy, and trash rentals. Because of COVID-19 the museum was not able to remain open or hold its annual Pancake Festival which resulted in loss of revenue. This funding will help address this impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization.
56. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Safe Harbor Coronado to support the cost of creating a new marketing campaign including a new name, logos, colors, and language as well as rebranding all existing internal documents, notifying community partners, and spreading the change throughout the community. This rebranding took place during COVID-19 to adjust to the response of the pandemic to fit the community needs of the community that Safe Harbor Coronado provides for.
57. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the San Diego County Breastfeeding Coalition to support the purchase of laptops, webcams, and printers to allow staff to work virtually, as well as software including NeonOne, PandaDocs, and Vimeo. These costs were incurred because of COVID-19, forcing staff to work from home. SDBC also requests funding to support educational scholarships, and trainings by staff for healthcare and childcare providers and

workplaces. Funding for these activities was adversely impacted by pandemic response measures such as social distancing and the cancelling of events that interfered with fundraising.

58. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to The Shine Project Foundation to support the purchase of a van and assist with providing free activities for children and families with special needs. COVID-19 forced TSPF to close as they provided in-person events and activities. Now that they are open again, they have seen an increase in families requesting services and costs of events. This funding will allow the organization to address funding shortfall caused by the pandemic.
59. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to the Transfamily Support Services to support the increased need for mental health services among transgender/nonbinary youth and their families. These services include support groups hosted by TFSS staff and volunteers, and Discord servers to provide LGBTQ youth a safe space where they can share and connect. Due to COVID-19, TFSS saw an increase in requests for mental health services and support.
60. Amend the purpose of the 5/03/2023 (11) allocation of \$15,000 Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to Surfing Madonna Oceans Project to include salaries for the Arts Programming and Special Needs Surf Camp. The organization was adversely impacted by pandemic response measures such as events closures that hindered fundraising. This funding will help address this impact of the pandemic on the funded organization. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
61. Amend the 5/03/2023 (11) allocation of \$15,000 Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) to Little Italy Association to include an additional \$5,000. The organization was adversely impacted by pandemic response measures such as events closures that hindered fundraising. This funding will help address this impact of the pandemic on the funded organization. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Develop and Government Affairs to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
62. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to execute grant agreements or amendments to agreements with the organizations awarded grants establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grants but do not increase the grants.
63. Find that each of the grants has a public purpose and that the grants awarded using American Rescue Plan Act funds are necessary to address an adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the funded organizations.

64. Find that the proposed grants to La Jolla Village Merchants Association, Inc., Incorporated, San Diego Ballet, and Canyon Crest Academy Foundation, Inc. are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines and that the allocations to Del Mar Foundation, Rancho de los Penasquitos Town Council, Inc., La Jolla Music Society, Mainly Mozart, Inc., and Point Loma Summer Concerts are exempt from review under Section 15323 of the CEQA Guidelines.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

We recognize the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents in San Diego County. Find that these proposed allocations of funds are intended to improve the quality of life throughout the County by providing funds for nonprofits whose work addresses inequities, promotes quality of life and improves outcomes that align with the vision of our county. Organizations were chosen based on their location or the demographics they serve with a focus on organizations that focus on vulnerable community member, youth events and inclusive community events. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach, and programs. Their supporting documents were reviewed as well as impact reports and community testimony.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to fund nonprofit organizations improves quality of life and supports long term sustainability of the community, advancing the County of San Diego Sustainability Goals to educate the community, protect ecosystems, habitats, biodiversity, and transition to a green, carbon-free economy.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the grant allocation requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15660), Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900) and the Community Enhancement ARPA Program (Org 12905). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$ 335,500 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660), \$250,451 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900), and \$270,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Program budget (Org 12905) totaling \$855,951. The funding sources are General Purpose Revenue, ARPA funds and Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

14. **SUBJECT: SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO ADD SECTION 125.25 TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO ESTABLISH THE CREATION OF A WORKPLACE JUSTICE FUND (5/23/23 - FIRST READING; 6/13/23- SECOND READING UNLESS ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On May 23, 2023 (34), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 13, 2023.

On May 4, 2021 (23), the County of San Diego (County) Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to create the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement (OLSE) and explore the creation of a fund that would provide workers seeking justice on a workplace issue with resources and assistance.

OLSE understands the financial losses suffered by workers seeking justice, including retaliatory measures by employers. Working in collaboration with community groups representing workers and organizations representing business groups, OLSE outlined two types of workplace justice funds - the Retaliation Model and the Restitution Model - in its May 31, 2022, annual report.

Today's request is for the Board to approve the introduction of an ordinance creating a Workplace Justice Fund that combines the Retaliation and Restitution Models, authorize OLSE to administer the fund, place \$100,000 in the fund and direct the CAO to report back to the Board with an update. If approved, the ordinance will be scheduled for adoption on May 23, 2023. If the proposed ordinance is altered on May 23, 2023, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance's adoption.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Consider and adopt second reading:
AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW SECTION 125.25 TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH THE CREATION OF A WORKPLACE JUSTICE FUND.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to report back within 120 days on the status of the Workplace Justice Fund.
3. Direct the Auditor and Controller to establish an interest-bearing trust fund, the "Workplace Justice Fund," with interest earnings allocated and distributed to this fund.
4. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to place \$100,000 of the funding previously allocated to the Chief Administrative Office in the Workplace Justice Trust Fund which may be used to support workers seeking justice on a workplace issue.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Establishing a Workplace Justice Fund will demonstrate the County's commitment to supporting working people by providing a financial backstop for victims of retaliation or wage theft. Although a comprehensive breakdown of wage theft judgment complainants by race or other demographic group is not available, it is clear that people of color are disproportionately impacted by wage theft. The Workplace Justice Fund will allow OLSE to compensate some victims of wage theft who were retaliated against for asserting their rights or whose employers abandoned their duties to their workers after losing a wage claim adjudication.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to create a Workplace Justice Fund contributes to many of the County of San Diego Sustainability Goals: engage the community, provide just and equitable access, and protect health and well-being. In terms of sustainability in equity, economy, and health/well-being, it will impact the communities and socio-economic groups historically

burdened by wage theft by providing thousands of dollars to make ends meet and possible job transition or period of unemployment and help keep the local economy strong. Extensive community engagement through an OLSE-convened Fair Workplace Collaborative comprised of community stakeholders is a major component of the project. Remunerating victims of wage theft will improve their well-being and ability to persevere in the labor market and beyond.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Chief Administrative Office. If approved, this request will establish an interest-bearing trust fund, the Workplace Justice Fund, and place \$100,000 in the fund. The funding source is available General Purpose Revenue currently budgeted in the Chief Administrative Office. Wage theft judgments will be assigned to the Office of Revenue and Recovery, which may be able to recoup some or all of the Workplace Justice Fund expenditures in future years. There will be no additional staff years.

Funding will be placed in the Workplace Justice Fund following the Board's approval and adoption of the Ordinance establishing the fund. Future appropriations will be included in future years CAO Recommended Operational Plan based on remaining funds available in the Workplace Justice Fund.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

15. **SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE APPROVING A SALARY PREMIUM AND DCAO ALLOWANCE FOR THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER POSITION WHILE SERVING IN THE ROLE OF INTERIM HHSA DCAO (6/13/2023 - FIRST READING; 6/27/2023 - SECOND READING, UNLESS THE ORDINANCE IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The long-term Deputy Chief Administrative Officer (DCAO) for the Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) is retiring from County service. The County will embark on a formal recruitment process for his successor. In the meantime, to continue Agency operations and ensure timely completion of existing projects, the County is in need of an experienced and knowledgeable interim DCAO. The Chief Administrative Officer has selected Eric McDonald, M.D. to serve as the Interim DCAO for HHSA effective June 27, 2023. Today's action approves the appointment and the salary premium Dr. McDonald will receive while serving in the interim role.

Today's recommendations are for the Board to approve the introduction of an ordinance (first reading) to amend the Ordinance. If the Board takes action as recommended, then on June 27, 2023, staff recommends the Board adopt the ordinance (second reading). If the proposed ordinance is altered on June 27, 2023, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance adoption.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

On June 13, 2023:

1. Approve the salary premium of 10% above the employee's base hourly rate of pay and DCAO auto allowance equivalent to Administrative Code Section 496 to Dr. Eric McDonald's existing Chief Medical Officer salary via the introduction of the Ordinance (first reading), read title, and waive further reading of the Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SALARY PREMIUM AND DCAO AUTO ALLOWANCE FOR THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER POSITION ONLY WHILE SERVING IN THE (WORKING TITLE) ROLE OF INTERIM HHSA DCAO.

If, on June 13, 2023, the San Diego County Board takes action as recommended, then on June 27, consider and adopt (second reading):

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SALARY PREMIUM AND DCAO AUTO ALLOWANCE FOR THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER POSITION ONLY WHILE SERVING IN THE (WORKING TITLE) ROLE OF INTERIM HHSA DCAO.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's action to approve a salary premium and auto allowance for the Chief Medical Officer position only while serving in the role of interim HHSA DCAO is requested to compensate an experienced executive in a leadership capacity to continue Agency operations and ensure timely completion of existing projects. The HHSA DCAO holds a vital role in overseeing health and human services which impacts the residents of San Diego County who depend on these services.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's proposed action supports the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals by providing just and equitable compensation for the Chief Medical Officer while working in the capacity of the interim HHSA DCAO. This proposed action will ensure just and equitable provision of public services.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds associated with this request are included in the CAO Recommended Operational Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

16. **SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM:
SECOND CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:
AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE RELATING
TO THE RATIFIED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE
EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNITS - DI AND DM REPRESENTED BY
THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION AND
OTHER COMPENSATION ORDINANCE CHANGES (5/23/2023 - FIRST
READING; 6/13/23 - SECOND READING, UNLESS THE ORDINANCE
IS MODIFIED ON SECOND READING) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On May 23, 2023 (10), the Board of Supervisors took action to further consider and adopt the Ordinance on June 13, 2023.

Today's actions reflect the compensation changes that have been negotiated with the District Attorney Investigators Association (DAIA) which represents the District Attorney Investigators (DI) and the District Attorney Investigators Middle-Management (DM) Units. The County reached a tentative agreement for a three-year Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with DAIA. The changes to the compensation ordinance reflect the negotiated changes in salary and benefits for these employees.

Today's actions also propose changes to compensation items for certain classifications that have been negotiated with SEIU, Local 221 and Teamsters Local 911 and other amendments to the Compensation Ordinance that will promote the recruitment and retention of various classifications through premiums and equity increases, adjust the maintenance charges for County-owned residences, and other administrative changes that help align the compensation ordinance with operational changes.

Today's recommendations are for the Board to approve the introduction of an ordinance (first reading) to amend the Compensation Ordinance. If the Board takes action as recommended, then on June 13, 2023, staff recommends the Board adopt the ordinance (second reading). If the proposed ordinance is altered on June 13, 2023, then on that date a subsequent meeting date will be selected for the ordinance adoption.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Consider and adopt the Ordinance (second reading) entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPENSATION ORDINANCE AND
ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION.**

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions reflect the partnership between the County and the Unions/Associations to strengthen their relationship and work together to provide equitable salaries, implementation of equity increases, and compensation that ensures recruitment, retention, and just and fair benefits.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions amending the compensation ordinance align with the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals by promoting sustainable economic growth for our community. The proposed actions included in this letter provide just, equitable wages for County employees.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are partially included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan and will be included in the FY 2023-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan Change Letter for the impacted departments. If approved, this recommendation will result in total estimated ongoing and one-time costs as follows:

<i>(in millions)</i>		<u>FY 23-24</u>	<u>FY 24-25</u>	<u>FY 25-26</u>
<i>A</i>	<i>Base salary and benefit increases</i>	\$ 3.28	\$ 4.29	\$ 0.86
<i>B</i>	<i>Equity increases</i>	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.47
<i>C</i>	<i>Flex Credit increases</i>	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10
<i>D</i>	<i>Total Ongoing Cost (incremental increase)</i>	\$ 3.80	\$ 4.86	\$ 1.43
<i>E</i>	<i>One-time lump sum payments</i>	\$ 0.62	—	—
<i>F (D+E)</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>	\$ 4.42	\$ 4.86	\$ 1.43

There will be no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

17. **SUBJECT: SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (SDCERA) RETIREMENT BOARD ELECTION - SECOND MEMBER (GENERAL), EIGHTH MEMBER (RETIRED) AND ALTERNATE MEMBER (RETIRED) (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

This is a request for the Board of Supervisors to declare the results of the election for the Second Member (General) ("Second Member") seat on the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA) Board of Retirement held on May 2, 2023.

This is also a request for the Board of Supervisors to order that no election be held to fill the regular three-year term for the Eighth Member (Retired) ("Eighth Member") seat and Alternate Member (Retired) ("Alternate Retired Member") seat on the Board of Retirement in compliance with California Government Code section 31523 and Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 13-135.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SAN DIEGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

1. Declare candidate Matthew Dix to be elected to the Second Member seat on the Board of Retirement for the regular three-year term, commencing July 1, 2023, and expiring on June 30, 2026.
2. Order that no election be held to fill the regular three-year term of the Eighth Member of the Board of Retirement commencing on July 1, 2023. Direct the Clerk of the Board to cast a unanimous vote in favor of the one duly nominated Member and declare candidate E. F. “Skip” Murphy elected as the Eighth Member of the Board of Retirement for a three-year term, commencing on July 1, 2023, and expiring on June 30, 2026.
3. Order that no election be held to fill the regular three-year term of the Alternate Retired Member of the Board of Retirement commencing on July 1, 2023. Direct the Clerk of the Board to cast a unanimous vote in favor of the one duly nominated Member and declare candidate Susan Mallett elected as the Alternate Retired Member of the Board of Retirement for a three-year term, commencing on July 1, 2023, and expiring on June 30, 2026.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today’s actions are to declare the winner of the election for an Active General Member seat on the SDCERA Board of Retirement. The voters in this election are 15,825 active, non-safety, employees of the County or another participating employer. These voters are entitled to elect a representative from amongst themselves to serve on the Board of Retirement. Also, an action to order no election to be held to fill the regular three-year term for the Eighth Member and Alternate Retired Member seats on the Board of Retirement and direct the Clerk of the Board to cast a unanimous vote in favor of the one duly certified nomination petition filed for each seat. The Board of Retirement makes decisions about the administration of the SDCERA Trust Fund on behalf of all SDCERA members and their beneficiaries.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

18. **SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST CODE FOR SANTEE-LAKESIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than city agencies, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, per Government Code Section 82011.

The recommended action would approve the proposed amendment to the Conflict of Interest code of Santee-Lakeside Emergency Medical Services Authority.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Approve the new Conflict of Interest code of Santee-Lakeside Emergency Medical Services Authority.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County government includes standing and special citizen boards, commissions, committees and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policies and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County and as such must provide transparent bias-free decision-making. The Board of Supervisors serves as the Code Reviewing Body for any local agency, other than city agencies, with jurisdiction wholly within the County, pursuant to Government Code Section 82011. Under the California Political Reform Act, a public official has a disqualifying conflict of interest in a governmental decision if it is foreseeable that the decision will have a financial impact on their personal finances or other financial interests. In such cases, there is a risk of biased decision-making that could sacrifice the public's interest in favor of the official's private financial interests. To avoid actual bias or the appearance of possible improprieties, the public official is prohibited from participating in the decision.

The recommended action would approve the new Conflict of Interest code submitted Santee-Lakeside Emergency Medical Services Authority. The Conflict of Interest code in this Board Letter enables the County of San Diego to provide transparency and accountability to individual residents, ensuring equitable operations of the government that are free from undue influence.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Under the Political Reform Act, all public agencies are required to adopt a Conflict of Interest code that designates positions that are required to file the Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700). Conflict of Interest codes must be maintained as updated and accurate to ensure that necessary public officials report their personal financial interests. These required filings provide public transparency about possible conflicts of interest and to ensure governmental decisions are made in the best interest of the public. This board letter supports the County of San Diego's sustainability goal of, "Engaging the community to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities and transparently share results of outcomes."

FISCAL IMPACT

The funding source for administration of this task is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Adopted Budget for the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

**19. SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY REPAIRS
AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER (DISTRICT: 3)**

OVERVIEW

On February 6, 2023, a failure of the chilled water supply line that serves the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system of the County Administration Center (CAC) was discovered in the northwest corner of the building exterior. This failure occurred at approximately 7:00am causing a total loss of cooling capacity, severely impacting the ability to control the interior temperature of the facility. To mitigate the risk to the operational capability of the building occupants and restore temperature control, it was necessary to declare an emergency and forgo competitive solicitation of the repair and restoration work. In accordance with County Administrative Code Section 402, "Emergency Purchases," a notice to proceed for emergency repairs was issued to ACCO Engineered Systems, a contractor with previous County facility and repair experience. Upon further investigation of the CAC chill water piping system, additional failures were discovered that warrant replacement of the entire chilled water piping system. To date, the costs of mobilization, construction, set up and delivery of a temporary chiller and the work previously done by ACCO totals \$220,218. The cost of repairs to the chilled water piping system is estimated at \$2,255,750 for a total of \$2,475,968 for all the work required. The estimated time for completion of repairs is mid-June.

On February 28, 2023 (7), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) found that there was a need for emergency repairs at the CAC and provided authorization to continue the emergency action. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050, until the repairs are complete, the Board is required to determine at every regularly scheduled board meeting that there is a need to continue the emergency action. Today's action requests the Board to find that there is a need to continue the CAC emergency repair and restoration.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find the proposed project is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Sections 15269(b) and 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines because the proposed project is for emergency repairs to a publicly owned service facility necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety, and welfare, and because it consists of the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of existing use.
2. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050(c)(2)(a), find that there is a need to continue the emergency repair and restoration of the County Administration Center without giving notice for bids to let a contract. **(4 VOTES)**

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

As a public building, most daily activities that take place at the CAC have an impact upon the San Diego County community. Regular meetings of the Board of Supervisors, County Special Districts and various Commission meetings are held at the CAC. The Department of General Services is responsible for managing the CAC, including maintenance and repairs. Approval of the emergency repairs will ensure continued operation of the CAC heating, ventilation, and air

conditioning system. These proposed emergency repairs will provide public benefit to members of the public and County employees through the continued provision of essential public services at this facility.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The emergency repairs will ensure the health and wellbeing of County employees and visitors to the County Administration Center by protecting indoor air quality.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Department of General Services Facilities Management Internal Service Fund. If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$2,475,968. The funding source is charges to client departments. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Failure to make the required repairs in a timely manner will result in a risk of inability to control the building interior temperature.

20. SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS: VARIOUS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

These appointments are in accordance with applicable Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," Board Policy I-1, "Planning and Sponsor Group Policies and Procedures," and Board Policy A-77, "Appointments to Fill Vacancies and Cancellation of Election where Insufficient Nominations Filed Prior to Uniform District Election and Citizen Planning Group Election."

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIRWOMAN NORA VARGAS

Appoint Daniel Diaz to the SWEETWATER COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 6, for a term to expire January 4, 2027.

Appoint Penni Wilson-Neely to the SWEETWATER COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 15, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

Appoint Lauren Schulte to the COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Wheeler North to the GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, Seat No. 4, for a term to expire June 13, 2027.

Waive Board Policy A-74, "Citizen Participation in County Boards, Commissions and Committees," and re-appoint Robert Davidson to the GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, Seat No. 5 for a term to expire January 31, 2027.

SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND

Appoint Raymond Botta to the BONSALL COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 4, 2027.

Appoint Jared Rowley to the BONSALL COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP, Seat No. 3, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Ronald Ehrler to the RAINBOW COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP, Seat No. 11, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

Appoint Bret Sealey to the SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD, Seat No. 2, for a term to expire January 4, 2027.

Appoint John Paul McFadden to the WARNER SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP, Seat No. 5, for a term to expire January 6, 2025.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Re-appoint Bonnie Kenk to the CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 2, for a term to start July 1, 2023 and expire June 30, 2026

Re-appoint Eileen Delaney to the CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 3, for a term to start July 1, 2023 and expire June 30, 2026

Re-appoint Tim Ware to the CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT REVIEW BOARD, Seat No. 4, for a term to start July 1, 2023 and expire June 30, 2026

Appoint Malik Thornton to the COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP ADMINISTERING BOARD, Seat No. 6, for a term to start July 1, 2023 and expire June 30, 2026

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

County government includes standing and special citizen boards, commissions, committees and task forces formed to advise the Board of Supervisors and County staff on issues and policy and to serve as links to the community. Boards, commissions and committees provide an inter-relationship between the residents and the government of the County. The nominations in this Board Letter enable the County of San Diego to provide individual residents the opportunity to impart valuable insight and input into the operation of the government.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The County of San Diego has over one hundred boards, commissions, committees, and task forces that serve as voice in the County government. Advisory bodies are an essential role in resident engagement that allow citizens to participate on issues relating to the welfare and quality of life in the County. They are fundamental to the County of San Diego's ability to navigate complex and dynamic policy challenges, are a conduit to the County Bureaucracy, and a broker to community voice. This board letter supports the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal No.1 by "encourage[ing] people and diverse stakeholders to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities."

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

21. SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED (DISTRICTS: ALL)**OVERVIEW**

Board Policy A-72, Board of Supervisors Agenda and Related Process, authorizes the Clerk of the Board to prepare a Communications Received for Board of Supervisors' Official Records. Routine informational reports, which need to be brought to the attention of the Board of Supervisors yet not requiring action, are listed on this document. Communications Received documents are on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

RECOMMENDATION(S)**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Note and file.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT

This board letter is a list of documents received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and/or Board of Supervisors from other entities, other county departments, the public, and internal documents presented to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or the Board of Supervisors. This contributes to the overall sustainability of the county by engaging the community in meaningful ways and promote an environment that provides equitable access opportunities for public engagement.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

22. SUBJECT: RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT THREE-YEAR PROGRAM AND EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023-24 THROUGH 2025-26 AND SUNSET TIME-CERTAIN REPORTING (DISTRICTS: ALL)**OVERVIEW**

Under the leadership of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board), the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Behavioral Health Services (BHS) continues making strides to advance the transformation of the behavioral health system to a system of regionally distributed services that are accessible to all individuals and families in need.

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) is a critical resource that provides dedicated ongoing funding to counties to address a broad continuum of mental health services needs including prevention, early intervention, and treatment services, along with funding for information technology and workforce development and training. MHSA provides funding for critical programs that serve individuals with serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, supporting some of San Diego County's most vulnerable and unserved populations through services that are responsive to cultural and linguistic needs. The MHSA is comprised of five components: Community Services and Supports; Prevention and Early Intervention; Innovation; Workforce Education and Training; and Capital Facilities and Technological Needs. As mandated by the MHSA, the Three-Year Plan, inclusive of all programs and expenditures funded by the MHSA, requires approval by the Board prior to submission to the California Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission. Today's action requests the Board receive and approve the recommended MHSA Three-Year Plan and Expenditure Plan for Fiscal Years (FY) 2023-24 through 2025-26, which includes MHSA funding of \$274.9 million in FY 2023-24, \$286.6 million in FY 2024-25, and \$286.6 million in FY 2025-26, inclusive of all programs and expenditures funded by the MHSA as required to comply with MHSA regulation.

Additionally, today's action requests the Board direct the Interim Chief Administrative Officer to sunset time-certain reporting for the MHSA-funded Mobile Crisis Response Team program which was requested in an action brought forward on April 6, 2021 (9). BHS has completed all actions set forth by the Board and has provided seven quarterly updates on progress to date.

Today's actions support the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those communities in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by enhancing access to behavioral health services, promoting well-being in children, adults, and families, and encouraging self-sufficiency.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Receive and approve the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan for Fiscal Years 2023-24 through 2025-26 (Three-Year Plan) and authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to submit the Three-Year Plan to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.
2. Direct the Interim Chief Administrative Officer to sunset time-certain reporting for the MHSA-funded Mobile Crisis Response Team program to coincide with significant developments.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The vision of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) is to build a system in which mental health services are equitable and accessible to all individuals and families within the region who are in need. According to 2021 data from the California Department of Healthcare Access and Information, Black/African American residents experienced higher emergency department rates of serious mental illness, self-inflicted injury/suicide attempt, and substance related disorders compared to others. Additionally, according to the California Health Interview Survey conducted

by the University of California Los Angeles in 2021, 10% of San Diegans reported experiencing serious psychological distress in the past month. However, residents living below 200% of the federal poverty level, those who reported a history of incarceration, or who identified as black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian, or multiracial, reported higher percentages of serious psychological distress compared to others.

MHSA funding provides individuals who are experiencing serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance with timely access to quality behavioral health care that is responsive to their cultural and linguistic needs. The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) serves diverse individuals of all ages, especially those historically underserved by behavioral health resources as well as those disproportionately impacted by behavioral health related morbidity and mortality. BHS strives to reduce these inequities among impacted populations, including individuals experiencing homelessness, black, indigenous and, people of color, children who are commercially sexually exploited, children and adults with justice involvement, people with complex behavioral health needs, and individuals in at-risk age groups. Behavioral health services offered through County-operated and contracted programs address the social determinants of health by being accessible and capable of meeting the needs of a diverse population, with the intent to equitably distribute services to those most in need. In support of these efforts, BHS utilizes a population health approach, along with evidence-based practices and robust data analysis, to identify needs and design services that are impactful, equitable, and yield meaningful outcomes for clients. This includes facilitating community engagement forums to solicit input from the community, stakeholders, consumers, family members, community-based providers, and healthcare organizations through formal and informal convenings, along with cross-collaboration with other County departments and community partners. Additionally, through the establishment of the Community Experience Partnership in collaboration with the University of California, San Diego and the recent launch of the Behavioral Health Equity Index, BHS is leading the development of a tool for measuring behavioral health equity to inform program planning, siting of services, and allocation of resources in a way that supports the most pressing community needs.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) programs support the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #1 to engage community in meaningful ways and continually seek stakeholder input to foster inclusive and sustainable communities. MHSA provides services to children, youth, and families, transition age youth, adults, and older adults in a community-centric approach taking into consideration language and cultural barriers to ensure equitable access for those in need of behavioral health services. The County Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services engages the community through the Community Planning Process to collaborate and encourage internal and external stakeholders to partner and participate in decisions that impact their lives and communities. In addition to maintaining regular contact with the public through interactive councils and advisory boards and stakeholder engagement throughout the year and as part of the development of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 through 2025-26 MHSA Plan, a 30-day public comment period was offered, during which the public provided feedback on the proposed plan.

Additionally, MHSA programs support the County's Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access through the regional distribution of services by allowing chronically underserved communities and individuals with behavioral health conditions to receive care near where they live. Services are provided at numerous County locations, as well as through community-based providers to ensure care is geographically dispersed throughout the region.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this request will result in estimated Mental Health Services Act costs and revenues of approximately \$274.9 million in FY 2023-24, inclusive of \$400,000 dedicated to the California Mental Health Services Authority, to continue participation in statewide prevention and early intervention campaigns and local initiatives. The funding source is the Mental Health Services Act. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

- 23. SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF STATE YOUTH SUICIDE REPORTING AND CRISIS RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAM FUNDING AND WAIVE BOARD POLICY B-29 (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

On March 1, 2023, the California Department of Public Health Injury and Violence Prevention Branch (CDPH-IVPB) invited the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) to participate in its Youth Suicide Reporting and Crisis Response Pilot Program (Pilot). San Diego County was among the most impacted counties in the State based on selection criteria for the Pilot with the second highest youth suicide count and second highest youth suicide rate (per 100,000 residents) for the period examined (2018-2020).

Approval of today's action would authorize BHS to accept a tentative allocation of approximately \$4.1 million of one-time funding from CDPH-IVPB to perform planning, coordination, and/or implementation of rapid reporting, crisis response, and/or data surveillance activities related to the prevention of suicides and suicide attempts among youth 25 years of age and under. This funding would augment and enhance the County's existing suicide prevention and crisis response efforts, as well as prevention and response efforts provided through County partners.

This item supports the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically those populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as the ongoing commitment to the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities by ensuring youth are engaged and connected to services that promote health, well-being, and resiliency.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Authorize acceptance of a one-time tentative allocation of approximately \$4,148,148 from the California Department of Public Health, Injury and Violence Prevention Branch to participate in the Youth Suicide Reporting and Crisis Response Pilot Program for Fiscal Year 2022-23 through Fiscal Year 2024-25, to develop and test models for rapid reporting and comprehensive crisis response at the local-level related to youth suicide and suicide attempts in youth 25 and under, and authorize the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, or designee to execute all required documents, upon receipt, including any annual extensions, amendments, or revisions that do not materially impact or alter the services or funding level.
2. Waive Board policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts - Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery, which requires full cost recovery for grants.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The vision of the County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS), is to build a system in which mental health and substance use services are equitably and regionally distributed and accessible to all individuals and families within the region who are in need. To advance this goal, BHS is committed to pursuing projects and funding sources that will support the provision of services to vulnerable and underserved populations.

Although suicide rates have generally decreased in recent years, suicide remains a leading cause of death for San Diegans and the second leading cause of death for youth and young adults in the county between the ages of 10-24 years, according to data from the County, Department of the Medical Examiner. In addition, emergency department and hospitalization rates due to suicide attempts, intentional self-harm, and suicidal ideation have increased and are particularly high among those ages 10-24 years old, especially among youth and young adults who identify as female, Black/African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, or White, and live within North Inland and East Regions. Additionally, data from UCLA's 2021 California Health Interview Survey indicates that individuals who identify as LGBTQ+ and/or have a history of adverse childhood experiences report higher percentages of thoughts of seriously considering suicide compared to others.

To address the social, economic, cultural, geographic, and other barriers that often hinder the accessibility of behavioral health care, the County continues to transform service delivery by bringing services directly to communities of need and working collaboratively with residents and experts to identify and develop tailored solutions through listening sessions, focus groups, and other input activities. Today's action will allow the County to accept new one-time funding aimed at increasing existing suicide prevention and crisis response efforts and emerging strategies to support youth under the age of 25, an age group which has experienced an increase in suicide counts and suicide rates in recent years in San Diego County.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's actions support the County of San Diego's (County) Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services by enhancing the County's ability to perform suicide surveillance, allowing the County to respond more nimbly to observed increases in suicides and suicide attempts with appropriately disbursed regional prevention and crisis response efforts. Today's actions also support Sustainability Goal #4 to protect the health and well-being of everyone in the region by making a concentrated effort to reach those most at risk of suicide in all activities, specifically through suicide prevention education efforts that increase the public's awareness of mental health resources and support channels.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Operational Plan and FY 2023-25 CAO Recommended Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). If approved, this action will result in minimal costs of approximately \$1,500 in FY 2022-23 for planning and development time associated with existing staff resources, with the majority of costs to be incurred in subsequent years. It is estimated that this action would result in costs of \$2.0 million in FY 2023-24 and \$2.5 million in FY 2024-25. The funding source, pending award by the State, will be one-time California Department of Public Health, Injury and Violence Prevention Branch Youth Suicide Reporting and Crisis Response Pilot Program funds totaling approximately \$4.1 million.

For the Youth Suicide Reporting and Crisis Response Pilot Program, a waiver of Board Policy B-29 is requested because the funding does not offset all costs associated with the implementation of the Youth Suicide Reporting and Crisis Response Pilot Program of approximately \$0.4 million in FY 2022-23 through FY2024-25. The anticipated funding sources for these costs are Mental Health Services Act and Realignment. The public benefit of providing these services far outweighs the unrecoverable costs and maximizes grant funds used to implement the project. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

- 24. SUBJECT: ENHANCING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT PROGRAM (NRP) AND COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CEP) GRANT APPROVAL PROCESS (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The Board of Supervisors approves the allocation of grant funds to organizations located and operating throughout the County to assist them in providing important services and support to the individuals they serve. Through the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (NRP), the County provides funding for one-time community, social, environmental, educational, cultural or recreational needs. Through the Community Enhancement Program (CEP), the County allocates Transient Occupancy Tax funds to stimulate tourism, promote the economy, create jobs and improve the quality of life for San Diego residents. Unlike the distribution of funding under the County's Small Business Stimulus Grant and Microbusiness Grant programs, NRP

and CEP funds must be included on a Board of Supervisors meeting agenda and brought before the Board for consideration and approval before these funds can be distributed to organizations. Under this approval process, required by Board of Supervisors Policies B-58 and B-72, the County incurs additional expenses and organizations receiving the funding experience unnecessary delays.

To streamline the current NRP and CEP grant process, we are recommending amendments to Board Policies B-58 and B-72 to provide County staff the ability to respond more effectively and efficiently to the diverse funding needs of our communities. If approved, these amendments will allow members of the Board of Supervisors to continue to receive and review funding requests and provide direction to fund the activities and projects that meet both the funding criteria and County objectives while delivering awarded funds to regional organizations in a more efficient and timely manner. Under the proposed changes, this process will more closely mirror that used to approve and award funds through the Small Business Stimulus Grant and Microbusiness Grant programs and the process used by the County of Los Angeles to award Social Program Agreements funds.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

1. Approve amendments to Board Policy B-58, Funding of the Community Enhancement Program (Attachment A, on file with the Clerk of the Board).
2. Approve amendments to Board Policy B-72, Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Attachment C, on file with the Clerk of the Board), and approve the sunset review date of December 31, 2030.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommended amendments to the Board of Supervisors policies will streamline the County's grant approval process, ensuring a more equitable distribution of resources by providing timely support to organizations serving various community needs. By improving the efficiency of the approval process, the County can better support initiatives that promote social, economic, and environmental equity within the community.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

Enhancing the NRP and CE grant process would foster a culture of innovation and have a significant sustainability impact by streamlining decision-making and allocating resources more efficiently.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this recommendation. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. While the initial implementation of the policy changes may require additional staff training and the establishment of new procedures, the streamlined approval process is expected to reduce costs associated with these grant programs for the County in the long run.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommended policy changes are expected to have a positive impact on local businesses and organizations that apply for NRP and CEP grants by expediting the approval process, allowing them to access funds more quickly. As a result, businesses and organizations can more efficiently implement their projects and initiatives, contributing to the overall economic growth and well-being of the community.

25. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION (DISTRICTS: ALL)**OVERVIEW**

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
John Ravera, et al. v. County of San Diego; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2021-00021117-CU-PA-CTL
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Francisco Valenzuela-Ochoa v. County of San Diego, et al.; Riverside Superior Court Case No. CVSW2109638
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Frankie Greer v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States District Court, Southern District Case No. 19-cv-0378-GPC-AGS
- D. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
M.Y. v. Richard Fischer, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2017-00049654-CU-MC-CTL
- E. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
A.C. v. Richard Fischer, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2019-00068341-CU-PO-CTL
- F. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
N.G. v. Richard Fischer, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2018-00039569-CU-CR-CTL
- G. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
D.A. v. Richard Fischer, et al.; San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2018-00011202-CU-MC-CTL

- H. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)
Alba Marroquin de Portillo. v. County of San Diego, et al.; United States District
Court, Southern District No. 23-cv-0978- WQH-WVG

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