



Legislation Text

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Community Development Agency, Environmental Management Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Accept grant award in the amount of \$3,000 through the United States Food and Drug Administration, for three staff members to attend the California Environmental Health Association Annual Education Symposium for 2016; and
- 2) Delegate authority to the Community Development Agency Director, or designee, to execute all grant documents, including, but not limited to, request for payments, reports and all associated documents necessary to secure grant funds and implement the Retails Standards Grant Program.

FUNDING: United States Food and Drug Administration Grant. (Federal Funds)

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Community Development Agency, Environmental Management Division (EMD), recommending the Board accept grant award in the amount of \$3,000.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

In accordance with Board of Supervisors (Board) Policy A-6, the Board is the sole authority for accepting grant awards and approving grant agreements. After acceptance of a grant award and approval of the grant agreement, the Board may delegate authority to the Community Development Agency Director or designee to execute all documents, including, but not limited to, the grant funding agreement, amendments, request for payments, reports, and all associated documents necessary to secure grant funds and implement the approved grant project.

EMD submitted an application to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards Grant Program (Attachment A). On November 20, 2015, EMD was notified of an award in the amount of \$3,000 (Attachment B).

The Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (Retail Program Standards) Grant Program provides funds for the completion of projects and training to enhance conformance with the Retail Program Standards. Funds will be used for three EMD staff members to attend the California Environmental Health Association (CEHA) Annual Educational Symposium (AES) that will be held in Oakland, CA, from March 22, 2016 through March 24, 2016. By attending the 2015 CEHA AES, EMD Staff will (1) have increased awareness of risk factors that lead to foodborne illness; (2) improve effectiveness of the retail food program by gaining skills and knowledge as necessary to conduct quality inspections; and (3) gain continuing education units to help maintain registration status as Registered Environmental Health Specialists.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

N/A

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Chief Administrative Office recommends moving staff's recommendations.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no change in Net County Cost. No matching funds are required for this grant payment program.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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