



Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency recommending the Board, as the Community Action Agency:

- 1) Approve the 2022-2023 Community Services Block Grant Community Action Plan; and
- 2) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the 2022-2023 Program Year Community Action Plan Cover Page and Certification for submittal with the 2022-2023 Community Services Block Grant Community Action Plan to the California Department of Community Services and Development.

FUNDING: 100% Federal funding.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND:

The Board of Supervisors is the designated Community Action Agency (CAA) and Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) is the County department designated to administer CAA programs and activities, while the El Dorado County Community Action Council (CAC) advises the CAA. Every two years, the California Department of Community Services and Development (CDCSD) requires all community action agencies to submit a Community Action Plan (CAP) that functions as the planning document outlining proposed activities and also serves as an application for funding for the following two years.

The CAP defines an integrated service delivery system and is required by the state and federal governments for receipt of Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) funds. These funds represent core funding for administration of HHSA's low-income and adult services. The County has received this CSBG grant since the early 1980s and this revenue source is expected to continue. The CAP also addresses goals, program activities, and outcome measures that closely reflect the ongoing activities of HHSA, which are approved through separate contract processes throughout the year.

The County must submit the CAP to CDCSD six months prior to the beginning of the next CSBG funding cycle which commences January 1, 2022. The CSBG funds represent core funding for administration of HHSA's low-income and adult services. The required Public Hearing for the CAP was conducted on May 26, 2021 during the CAC's regular meeting and was subsequently approved by the CAC during the course of the meeting.

CSBG funding affects a wide range of programs administered by HHSA including: Housing Choice Voucher Program, Senior Nutrition (congregate and home-delivered meals), Senior Legal Services, Family Caregiver Support Services, You Are Not Alone, Older Adult Day Center (currently closed due to COVID-19 restrictions), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, and Weatherization Program.

ALTERNATIVES:

There is no suitable alternative. If the 2022-2023 CAP is not approved and submitted to CDCSD with the signed Cover Page by the June 30, 2021 deadline, HHSA would be ineligible for an estimated \$280,000 in annual revenue from CDCSD. The CSBG grant allocation provides core funding of HHSA's administration costs for low-income and adult services.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION:

- 1) 06-19-2007, 07-965, 2008-2009 CSBG Community Action Plan
- 2) 06-23-2009, 09-0755, 2010-2011 CSBG Community Action Plan
- 3) 06-28-2011, 11-0679, 2012-2013 CSBG Community Action Plan
- 4) 06-25-2013, 13-0691, 2014-2015 CSBG Community Action Plan
- 5) 06-23-2015, 13-0691, 2016-2017 CSBG Community Action Plan
- 6) 06-20-2017, 13-0691, 2018-2019 CSBG Community Action Plan
- 7) 06-25-2019, 19-0888, 2020-2021 CSBG Community Action Plan

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

El Dorado County Community Action Agency

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with this Agenda Item. The CAP serves as the application to the annual CSBG revenue that provides core funding of HHSA's administration costs for low-income and adult services.

It is anticipated that HHSA will receive the 2022-2023 CSBG revenue and that sufficient appropriations were included in HHSA's Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

- 1) Clerk of the Board to obtain signature of Chair on three (3) originals of the Cover Page; and
- 2) Clerk of the Board to return two (2) signed originals of the Cover Page to HHSA Contracts Unit, 3057 Briw Road.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT:

N/A

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