



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 21-1435, **Version:** 1

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Health and Human Services Agency recommending the Board:

- 1) Accept, with gratitude, a donation of \$10,000 from RS Analysis, Inc., to the Pet Aid Fund, to support efforts by the Animal Services Program during the Caldor Fire; and
- 2) Authorize the Health and Human Services Agency Director, or designee, to execute document(s) relating to the donation from RS Analysis, Inc., to the Animal Services Program.

**FUNDING:** RS Analysis, Inc.

**DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND:**

On August 25, 2021, RS Analysis, Inc. donated \$10,000 to the Pet Aid Fund, asking that the donation be used to support the efforts by the Health and Human Services Agency, Animal Services Program (Animal Services) during the Caldor Fire.

At this time, Animal Services is supporting over 1,500 animals evacuated from the Caldor Fire, including but may not be limited to 1,055 large animals, and 480 small animals (139 dogs, 268 cats, and 73 other species including rats, mice, tortoises, parrots, etc.) at three (3) separate locations on the Western Slope. Twenty-four (24)-hour staffing is needed to maintain operations at the sites, in addition to maintaining normal operations at the South Lake Tahoe shelter. Additional expenses are being incurred for items such as, animal food, first aid supplies, vaccinations, veterinary care, and increased staffing needs. At this time, Animal Services is expected to maintain the additional shelter operations for at least thirty (30) days and continue increased field response and evacuations as needed.

Animal Services is grateful for the donation and it will be used to continue to provide support for the evacuated animals during this emergency.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could direct HHSA to decline the donation.

**PRIOR BOARD ACTION:**

03/25/14, File ID 14-0385: "HHSA Donation Acceptance Delegation"

**OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

N/A

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve as recommended.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

This donation will help defray the cost of providing support to evacuated animals during this emergency, thereby allowing additional ongoing support as needed. The donation will be included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Adopted Budget if approved.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS**

Clerk of the Board to return one (1) Certified Minute Order to the Health and Human Services Agency Contracts Unit at 3057 Briw Rd, Suite B.

**STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT:**

Healthy Communities

**CONTACT**

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