MARIPOSA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DEPARTMENT: Human Services / Community Action

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DATE: December 16, 2008

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

It is respectfully recommended that your Board:

2. Authorize the Human Services Director to execute the 2008 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Agreement 08B-5473, Amendments Two and Three.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT

Financial Impact? (X) Yes ( ) No
Budgeted In Current FY? (X) Yes ( ) No
Amount in Budget:

Additional Funding Needed: $ __________
Source: Contracts/Grants
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue
Transfer Between Funds
Contingency

( ) General ( ) Other

Annual Recurring Cost:

Pages One and Two, Memo to the Board
Pages Three –Eleven, LIHEAP 08B-5473 Amendment Two
Pages Twelve-Sixteen, LIHEAP 08B-5473 Amendment Three

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CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No. 08-585
Vote – Ayes: 5
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

Approved

( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: __________________________

Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: __________________________________________
Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

☑ Requested Action Recommended
☐ No Opinion

Comments:

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CAO: __________________________
Revised Dec. 2002
December 5, 2008

TO: Members, Board of Supervisors
    Rick Benson, CAO

FROM: James A. Rydingsword

RE: Community Action Programs / 2008 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

RECOMMENDATION

It is respectfully recommended that your Board:

1. Authorize the Human Services Director to execute the 2008 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Agreement 08B-5473, Amendments Two and Three.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of LIHEAP, under the auspices of the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD), is to provide energy assistance and weatherization services to low-income county residents. LIHEAP funds have been allocated to Mariposa County for several years and operate on a calendar year. In recent years this program has assisted an average of 500 low-income households each year with energy assistance utility payments and 40 households with weatherization services who are primarily seniors, the disabled and the working poor.

CURRENT SITUATION

Your Board authorized the Department to continue to provide Energy Assistance and Weatherization services to low-income County residents and accept the funding from CSD at the beginning of this calendar year (Res. 08-87) and recently a small increase in funding with Amendment One (Res. 08-501).

Amendment Two provides for an increase in funding in the amount of $5,975 that increases our wood and propane assistance, weatherization and administrative allocations. It also includes an increase for our non-consideration funding for electricity payments that are processed through the State system. No funding comes directly into County Funds for those payments. Amendment Two also extends the agreement term through March 31, 2009.

Amendment Three appears to be a reduction in funding, however it is actually a redistribution of our total funding between the "consideration" components of wood, propane and weatherization and the "non-consideration" component of electricity payments. Amendment Three allows us to move money from contract line items that were not being utilized (emergency heating and cooling repair/replacement and the Severe Weather Energy Assistance and Transportation Services (SWEATS)) and reallocate that money into services such as wood, propane and electricity assistance.
The Weatherization subcontract with the Central Valley Opportunity Center (CVOC) will terminate December 31, 2008. The Department is recruiting for a Weatherization Worker, Extra-help, part-time position and has sent two Welfare-to-Work clients through PG&E Weatherization training and they have both completed each of the required training segments. CVOC is in the process of completing a couple jobs and the balance of the Weatherization funding (estimated to be $35,000) will be utilized by our new staff beginning in January.

FINANCIAL

Upon completion of CVOC’s subcontract, a budget adjustment will be requested to redistribute the remaining funding from the subcontractor to the appropriate budget lines.

These agreements were anticipated and budgeted in fund 334 for the FY2008/09. There is no local share of cost for this program and therefore this request will not impact the County General Fund.