



# MARIPOSA COUNTY

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## **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-87**

MEETING: February 24, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Robert Ryder, Health Officer

RE: MOU with Self-Help Enterprises

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### **RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Self-Help Enterprises (SHE) to Provide Emergency Water to Eligible Mariposa County Private Citizens for Sanitation Purposes through the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) Program, and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the MOU.

The County applied for and was successful in obtaining CDAA funding. The CDAA program provides funding for emergency water to eligible private citizens. This funding is one-hundred percent reimbursable if managed through a private non-profit (PNP) organization. If the program were managed through the County, then the County would be responsible for twenty-five percent (25%) of the costs.

SHE will oversee the program and contract with private contractors for the installation of 1,500 - 3,000 gallon water tanks for use by the private citizen whose well has gone dry because of the drought situation. SHE has operated similar programs in Fresno and Tulare counties, and the Health Department is recommending that the Board approve this as a sole-source vendor as staff was unable to identify another local PNP that has the necessary level of expertise and knowledge to manage to this program. Please see the attached memorandum regarding staff's recommendation on a sole-source vendor.

The following provides information on SHE.

Organization Mission: To improve the lives of low-income residents in the San Joaquin Valley through housing and related programs and services.

Activities: Self-Help Enterprises, recognized by HUD as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), has been assisting low-income residents of the San Joaquin Valley to improve their living conditions since 1965. With the guiding philosophy of helping people to help themselves, SHE utilizes a comprehensive approach to meeting low-income housing needs. Four Divisions focus on different aspects of unmet rural housing needs: the Community Development Division staff assists low-income communities in securing basic services such as water and sewer systems; the Multi-Family Housing Division develops affordable rental housing units; the New Homes Division helps more than 100 families per year to build their own

homes; and the Partner Services Division assists 15 to 20 Valley jurisdictions each year with grant administration; implementation of Housing Rehabilitation and Home-buyer programs; and Loan Portfolio Management. SHE also currently provides Homeownership Counseling and Education in English and Spanish.

Annual operating budget: \$6,528,823

How the Self Help is currently serving those affected by the drought: SHE has secured grant funds through USDA's Household Water Well Grant and Housing Preservation Grant that are being used to assist those affected by the drought with repair or replacement of dry wells. SHE has also committed approximately \$45,000 in recaptured funds to assist with drought efforts and is collaborating with USDA and local government agencies to secure other funding resources available to assist those in need of a permanent solution. SHE currently has an MOU with Tulare County OES to provide drought related services and is working with Fresno County to provide similar services.

Attached is the process that SHE will follow as well as the estimated cost of this program.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

On December 16, 2014, the Board approved Applying for the California Disaster Assistant Act (CDAA) Program to provide emergency drinking water to private citizens in the county.

On February 10, 2015, the Board approved the Plan for Implementing the California Disaster Assistant Act (CDAA) Program with Resolution 2015-74. The Board directed Health Department staff to research the sole source issue with other local government agencies and the State OES to ensure we would not be violating procurement requirements.

**ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

Do not approve Sole Source of Private Non-Profit to Self-Help Enterprises.  
Look for alternative Private Non-Profit agencies to manage this program.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Memo to Dr. Ryder Re Sole Source Provider - Self Help Enterprises 2-11-2015 (PDF)**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN SELF HELP ENTERPRISES AND THE COUNTY OF MARIPOSA (DOCX)**

**CDAA - Self Help Enterprise Process (PDF)**

**Mariposa County-SelfHelpEnterprises CAL OES Cost Breakdown Summary (PDF)**

**CAO RECOMMENDATION**

Requested Action Recommended

*Mary Hoeson*

Mary Hoeson, Interim CAO 2/19/2015

**RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

**MOVER:** Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor

**SECONDER:** Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

**AYES:** Rosemarie Smallcombe, Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, John Carrier

**EXCUSED:** Kevin Cann