RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2017-751

MEETING: November 7, 2017

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: 2018 LIHEAP 18B-4021 Contract for Energy Assistance and Weatherization

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve the 2018 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Agreement 18B-4021 with the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) in an amount not to exceed $228,734 to provide energy assistance payments and weatherization services; and authorize the Human Services Director to sign the agreement and all subsequent Amendments (Subject to County Counsel Approval as to Form).

The purpose of LIHEAP, under the auspices of the 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 program term basis.

Thus far in program year 2016 ending March 31, 2018, this program has assisted 731 low-income households containing 1,209 persons with energy assistance propane, wood, and utility payments and 30 households and 54 persons with weatherization services. A large percentage of these households include vulnerable populations such as seniors, the disabled, children under 5 years, and the working poor.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board approved the previous 2017 LIHEAP Agreement on October 18, 2016 by Resolution 2016-55.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this Agreement is not approved, Mariposa will lose the grant funds of $228,734 and the opportunity to provide Energy Assistance payments and Weatherization Services to serve approximately 761 Mariposa County households and 1,263 persons.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This program is funded by federal energy assistance grant (LIHEAP) funds. These funds were anticipated and included in the FY17-18 budget for fund 334. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
2018 LIHEAP Contract  (PDF)
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2018 LIHEAP Contract Part I and II Final (PDF)
LIHEAP Certification Regarding Lobbying (PDF)
Mariposa CSD Form 279 (FFATA Reporting) (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey