DEPARTMENT: Human Services

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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: It is respectfully recommended that the Board approve and adopt the attached Board Resolution, as requested by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), to divest and transfer One Hundred and Sixty-Five (165) Mariposa County Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) Section 8 Program to the Stanislaus County Housing Authority (SCHA) as the entity who will assume the role of the HCD to administer the HCV Section 8 on behalf of Mariposa County.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: In a letter to the Clerk of the Board, County of Mariposa dated August 17, 2011 the HCD has identified the SCHA as the entity who will assume the role of the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development to administer the Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) Section 8 Program on behalf of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Tuolumne Counties. HCD anticipates this transfer of authority will become effective October 1, 2011.

In a previous action on October 20, 2009, acting as the Commission for the Mariposa County Housing Authority, the Commission transferred the One Hundred and Sixty-Five (165) Mariposa County Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) Section 8 Program to HCD who assigned that role to the Central California Planning Council, an organization that has since ceased operations. The role of administering the HCV Section 8 on behalf of Mariposa County then reverted to HCD on an interim basis.

The action that is proposed that you take today as the Board of Supervisors does not take away any of the 165 Housing Vouchers reserved by HUD for any Mariposa County resident. It only re-designates those Housing Vouchers and the administration of the Mariposa County Housing Voucher program to the Stanislaus County Housing Authority (SCHA) as the entity who will assume the role of the HCD to administer the HCV Section 8 on behalf of Mariposa County.

The Mariposa County Housing Authority, as currently authorized and constituted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, will continue to remain in place as adopted by the Mariposa County Housing Authority on October 20, 2009. Until such time as the Mariposa County Housing Voucher program is funded in an adequate and timely fashion, the Mariposa County Housing Authority will have no authority or responsibility for the operation of the Housing Voucher program in Mariposa County.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION: Mariposa County would need to enter into a lengthy discussion and negotiation for other alternatives and, in the interim; services to people in Mariposa County could be diminished.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Mariposa County Housing Authority and Housing Voucher program is funded entirely with federal funds. There is no impact on county general funds or other sources of revenue within the Human Services Department.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes (X) No Current FY Cost: $ Annual Recurring Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $ List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Additional Funding Needed: $ Formal Resolution
Source:
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue 4/5's vote
Transfer Between Funds 4/5's vote
Contingency
( ) General ( ) Other 4/5's vote

CLERK’S USE ONLY:

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
Res. No. / Ord. No. ______
Vote - Aye: ___  Nor: ___

Approved
( ) Minute Order Attached  ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of

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Date:

Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

By: _____________________________
County of Mariposa, State of California
Deputy

CAO: _____________________________

Requested Action Recommended
No Opinion
Comment:

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IN THE MATTER OF INCORPORATION OF THE MARIPOSA COUNTY
SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM (HCV)
INTO THE STANISLAUS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY (SCHA) HCV PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 2011-457

Request the State Department of Housing and Community Development divest itself of and return the Mariposa County Housing Choice Voucher allocation to the Department of Housing and Urban Development contingent upon HUD's transfer of Mariposa County HCV program to the Stanislaus County Housing Authority to be used in an expanded service territory that would include [Insert County] County.

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV) is currently being administered by the State Department of Housing and Community Development from their office in Sacramento, California; and

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Housing Authority (SCHA), currently administers the HCV program with a pool of housing vouchers in the region consisting of Stanislaus County; and

WHEREAS, it would be advantageous to have the Mariposa County's HCV program incorporated into SCHA's program because a locally administered program could result in more responsiveness to issues and concerns; and Mariposa County's eligible citizens could have access to if demand and selection preferences allow a larger number of vouchers than currently allocated by HCD; and

WHEREAS, SCHA is agreeable to this request;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors that Mariposa County requests the California State Department of Housing and Community Development to divest itself and return the Mariposa County Housing Choice Voucher allocation to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) contingent upon HUD's transfer of Mariposa County's HCV program to the Stanislaus County Housing Authority for use in an expanded HCV service area to include Mariposa County.

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa on the 20th day of September, 2011 by the following vote:
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors
Res. 11-457

AYES: STETSON, BIBBY, CANN, ALLEN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: TURPIN

COUNTY OF Mariposa:

Jim Allen
CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:
Margie Williams
CLERK OF THE BOARD

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Steven W. Dahlem
COUNTY COUNSEL