DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve budget action reducing General Contingency to provide additional funding for Sandy's Fund ($3,000). Sandy’s Fund is a spay and neuter program that assists local residents with the cost of having their pet spayed or neutered by issuing vouchers at a current cost of $10 that may be redeemed at local participating veterinarian hospitals. The program also relies on private donations, but will cease to have sufficient money to continue the program after March 15, 2004, unless the County contributes additional funding. This funding should allow Sandy’s Fund to continue operations for an additional two months (dependent on the number and type of animal) and allow staff sufficient time to possibly identify a long-term funding source for the program. The money will be transferred to Sandy’s Fund at the end March 2004 and April 2004, for the actual costs of that particular month.

The program has been very successful and to date has issued a total of 2,222 vouchers with a value of $110,139. Without such a program, there could be an increase in the number of dogs and cats that are impounded by our Sheriff's Department Animal Control division, resulting in escalating the cost of operating the Animal Control division.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Beginning in Fiscal Year 2001-02, the Board of Supervisors contributed $15,000 of General Fund money to Sandy’s Fund as a match to a private donor’s contribution. In Fiscal Year 2002-03 the Board contributed $20,000. Last fiscal year because of fiscal constraints on General Fund dollars, the Sheriff agreed to contribute $10,000 of his Rural Counties Crime Prevention (RCCP) Funding towards Sandy’s Fund. Because the RCCP money was eliminated from the State budget, the Board recently reduced the Sheriff’s budget, but left the $10,000 contribution towards Sandy’s Fund as a General Fund expense.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not approve the budget action. Direct staff to determine alternative methods of providing funding for Sandy’s Fund or provide no additional funding at all which could result in the elimination of the program.

Financial Impact? (X) Yes ( ) No  Current FY Cost: $13,000  Annual Recurring Cost: $

Budgeted In Current FY? ( X ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded

| Amount in Budget: | $10,000 |
| Additional Funding Needed: | $3,000 |
| Source: |
| Internal Transfer |
| Unanticipated Revenue |
| Transfer Between Funds |
| Contingency |
| (X) General |
| ( ) Other |

List Attachments, number pages consecutively

Budget Action

Revised Dec. 2002
The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of
the original on file in this office.

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

By: ______________________________________
    Deputy
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**TOTAL** $3,000 $3,000

**TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS**

**TOTALS** $0 $0

**ACTION REQUESTED:** (Check all that apply)

- Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or appropriating Reserve for Contingencies;

- Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

**JUSTIFICATION:** Additional contribution to Sandy's Fund.

**DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE**

**APPROVED BY RES NO.**

**CLERK**

**DATE**

**INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

**AUDITOR'S USE ONLY**

**BA #**

Budget Revision Form Revised 11/95
TO: BOB PICKARD, Supervisor District V
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: BUDGET ACTION REDUCING GENERAL CONTINGENCY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SANDY’S FUND ($3,000) Resolution No. 04-96

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPosa COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on March 16, 2004

ACTION AND VOTE:

Approve Budget Action Reducing General Contingency to Provide Additional Funding for Sandy’s Fund ($3,000) (4/5ths Vote Required) (Supervisor Pickard) 

BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Stetson, (S)Pickard, Res. 04-96 was adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Jim Allen, Sheriff
Mary Hodson, Administrative Analyst
File