RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-126

MEETING: March 12, 2019

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: Resolution for Participation in HomeSafe Program

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Authorize County of Mariposa participation in the Home Safe Program allocation in Fiscal Year 2019-2022; and authorize the Health and Human Services Director to sign and submit a certification of acceptance and implement program activities to utilize the funding to serve seniors and dependent adults who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
This program offers a new, one-time funding opportunity for Mariposa County. The allocation available to the County of Mariposa is $170,000.

As a result of AB 840 (Chapter 35, Statutes of 2018), the Governor and Legislature have allocated $15 million dollars in one-time funding for Fiscal Year 2019-2022 to select counties for the support of safety and housing stability of Adult Protective Services (APS) clients by providing housing-related assistance using evidence-based practices for homeless assistance and prevention.

The Health and Human Services Agency wishes to accept the allocation and utilize the funds in combination with other related housing funding to serve the APS clients who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. There is great demand to serve the needs of this population.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If the Board chooses not to approve this Resolution, the county will forfeit the one-time $170,000 allocation available to address housing stability for APS clients.

ATTACHMENTS:
Mariposa Home Safe Program Application 2018 (PDF)
Mariposa Home Safe Allocation Letter (PDF)
Home Safe Updated Budget Template (PDF)
Home Safe Director Certification (Autosaved) (PDF)
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RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey
Home Safe Program  
County Director Certification

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) allocated the funding amount indicated below to your county for the purposes of implementing the Home Safe Program, pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 1811 (Chapter 35, Statutes of 2018).

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<th>County Name</th>
<th>Mariposa</th>
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<tr>
<td>Home Safe State Funding Allocated</td>
<td>$170,000</td>
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<td>Home Safe Match Funding (minimum must be equal to state funds)</td>
<td>$170000</td>
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<td>Total Home Safe Program Budget (state + match)</td>
<td>$340,000</td>
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<td>Target Number of Individuals to Provide Short Term Housing</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>Target Number of Individuals to Refer for Long Term Housing</td>
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To accept Home Safe funding, the County Director shall complete, sign and return this certification. In order to receive Home Safe Program reimbursements, the county shall comply with the following Home Safe Program funding terms and conditions:

1. Ensure a county representative is present for CDSS-hosted Home Safe trainings and meetings and participates in CDSS requested conference calls, site visits and meetings.

2. Operate the Home Safe Program consistent with the Housing First core components specified in Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code section 8255.

3. Ensure the Home Safe Program is implemented according to the approved county Home Safe proposal; any changes to the program description, program goals or budget will be submitted to the CDSS for review and approval within 30 calendar days of the change.

4. Match state Home Safe funds, as specified in CFL No. 18/19-47, on a dollar-for-dollar basis and ensure funds spent supplement, and not supplant, the level of county funding spent for the purposes of Home Safe related services in the 2017-18 fiscal year.

5. Provide aggregate and individual-level Home Safe Program data requested by CDSS, including frequent data collection and reporting, and comply with requests from CDSS regarding implementation updates, ongoing program operations, and outcomes. Required data elements include, but are not limited to, all elements enumerated in W&I Code section 15771(d)(3).

6. Agree to actively cooperate with tracking, reporting and evaluation efforts, including the execution of Data Use Agreements (DUAs), homeless systems data extractions, qualitative data collections, and other data sharing or tracking requirements as determined by the independent evaluator or the CDSS.

7. Target providing short term housing assistance, as described in All County Welfare Directors Letter dated October 22, 2018, to the number of APS clients at risk of homelessness or recently homeless.
8. Ensure the Home Safe Program actively collaborates with the local homeless Continuum of Care and coordinated entry systems so that APS clients that are not provided short term housing assistance are adequately connected to other available housing resources.

9. Acknowledge that CDSS reserves the right to reallocate Home Safe Program funds, should the CDSS determine it is appropriate or necessary in order to maximize program impact throughout the state.

I, Chevon Kothari, certify that Mariposa County will administer the Home Safe Program pursuant to the terms and conditions outlined above and understand this is a condition of receiving Home Safe Program funds. I certify that the milestones included in the attached Home Safe Milestones Checklist have been completed on the date indicated within the checklist.

Chevon Kothari
Director Signature

2/21/19
Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
COUNTY COUNSEL