



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval of Request by Office of Emergency Services to Reallocate \$100,000 of One-Time Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) Disaster Settlement Funds, Previously Approved by the Board of Supervisors to fund EMT/Paramedic Scholarships, Towards Consultant Services to Assess the County's EMS Program

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve request by Office of Emergency Services to reallocate \$100,000 of one-time Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) disaster settlement funds, previously approved by the Board of Supervisors to fund EMT/paramedic scholarships, towards consultant services to assess the County's EMS Program.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

On April 6, 2021, the Board heard the presentation from Coastal Valleys regarding projects to strategically invest one-time Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) Disaster Settlement Funds.

On August 17, 2021, the Board accepted prioritized spend for projects utilizing PG&E Disaster Settlement Funds, including \$100,000 to fund EMT/paramedic scholarships.

Summary of Request:

The Board approved \$100,000 of the PG&E Settlement Funds to fund educational scholarship opportunity for four students at \$5,000 for five years to pay for tuition costs of paramedic school. The intention was to improve paramedic staffing levels in Mendocino County. After the administration of the EMS program transferred to OES, staff finds that the scholarship program could not progress due to gift of public funds issue.

OES staff finds it would be the best interest of the community to use the allocated \$100,000 to fund for consultant services to assess and evaluate the County's EMS program. This service is critical; yet has not been completed in recent years due to lack of funding.

Staff is seeking the Board of Supervisor's approval to reallocate the \$100,000 towards consultant services to assess the County's EMS Program.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return to staff for alternative handling

Strategic Plan Priority Designation: A Prepared and Resilient County

Supervisory District: All

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: n/a

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: PG&E Settlement Funds

current f/y cost: \$100,000

budget clarification: using the same funds in budget unit DR-2910

annual recurring cost: one-time allocation

budgeted in current f/y (if no, please describe): Yes

revenue agreement: N/A

AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVED BY COUNTY COUNSEL: N/A

CEO Liaison: Executive Office

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk

Date: February 27, 2024

Final Status: **Approved**

