



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Health and Human Services Agency

Meeting Date: May 25, 2021

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval of Agreement with Ukiah Senior Center in the Amount of \$51,050 to Provide Health and Welfare Outreach Services, Financial Services, and Information Referrals to Elderly Individuals and Persons with Disabilities in Ukiah and Surrounding Areas, Effective July 1, 2021 Through June 30, 2022

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve Agreement with Ukiah Senior Center in the amount of \$51,050 to provide health and welfare outreach services, financial services, and information referrals to elderly individuals and persons with disabilities in Ukiah and surrounding areas, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; authorize the Health and Human Services Agency Assistant Director/Social Services Director to sign any future amendments that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign the same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

June 21, 2016, Item No. 4(g), BOS Agreement No. 16-052.

Summary of Request:

The proposed Ukiah Senior Center contract is for the provision of health and welfare information, referral support, and financial management for elderly individuals and persons with disabilities in the City of Ukiah and its surrounding areas. These funds ensure that the senior center maintains an outreach staff person to carry out the provisions of the contract. This includes fostering community awareness of the Ukiah Senior Center and its resources, working with Adult Protective Services (APS) staff on individual case plans, as well as assisting clients with transportation as necessary. The contract specifically funds financial management assistance for APS referred clients who would otherwise be at risk of homelessness and abuse if these services were not available. Outreach and financial management assistance have proven to be successful and may be a key factor in avoiding the need for APS.

Mendocino County has a significant population of persons over 65 years of age; of the 88,436 residents in Mendocino County, 17,845 are identified as over 65, with 1,998 aged 85 years or older (Mendocino-Lake Area Agency on Aging (PSA26AAA) 2020-24 Area Plan). The elderly population in Mendocino County is estimated to grow by up to 20% by the year 2040. In a needs assessment survey conducted by PSA26AAA, receiving services, obtaining information about services/benefits, and loneliness, were 3 of the top 10 concerns reported by elderly individuals who participated in the survey. Additionally, with the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ukiah

Senior Center played a vital role in communicating information about services for those elderly individuals sheltering in place, and transitioned their services to accommodate the changes required by the pandemic. Ukiah Senior Center provides vital services, such as meal delivery and pickup, transportation for grocery shopping, and transportation to pharmacy services, to ensure medically necessary medications remained available. The funds provided by this contract ensure that the Ukiah Senior Center can continue to offer these services.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return to staff for alternative handling.

Supervisory District: District 2

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: [<https://www.ukiahseniorcenter.org/>](https://www.ukiahseniorcenter.org/);
[<http://www.lakecountycalifornia.gov/Assets/Departments/Social+Services/AAA/2020-2024+Area+Plan.pdf>](http://www.lakecountycalifornia.gov/Assets/Departments/Social+Services/AAA/2020-2024+Area+Plan.pdf)

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: 5010

current f/y cost: \$51,050

annual recurring cost: \$51,050

budget clarification:

budgeted in current f/y: Yes

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: No

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Darcie Antle, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk I

Date: May 27, 2021

Final Status: Approved

Executed Item Type: Agreement **Number:** 21-102

Note to Department Number of Original Agreements
Returned to Dept: 0 Original Agreement Delivered to Auditor?
No

