

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

March 1, 2022

FROM

LEONARD X. HERNANDEZ, Chief Executive Officer, County Administrative Office

SUBJECT

Community Health Association Inland Southern Region Contract for Pass-Through Funding for the Medical Assistant Workforce Development Program

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Accept funding of \$103,000 from the California Department of Health Care Services as pass-through funding for the Community Health Association Inland Southern Region to establish a Medical Assistant Workforce Development Program.
2. Approve **Contract No. 22-142** with the Community Health Association Inland Southern Region, in the amount of \$103,000, to establish a Medical Assistant Workforce Development Program using pass-through funding of \$103,000 from the California Department of Health Care Services, from March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2024.

(Presenter: Brad Jensen, Governmental and Legislative Affairs Director, 387-4821)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Promote the Countywide Vision.

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Under Section 19.56 (e) (32) of Senate Bill (SB) 170, funding in the amount of \$103,000 for the Medical Assistant Workforce Development Program (Program) is allocated by the California Department of Healthcare Services (CDHS) to the County specifically for the Community Health Association Inland Southern Region (CHAISR) for the Program. The County will act as a pass-through entity and transfer the funds to CHAISR.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Program will address the healthcare workforce shortage in the county, which has worsened due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This state funding will jumpstart a training program for 25 prospective medical assistants and prepare them for the California Certified Medical Assistants exam. CHAISR hopes to connect medical assistant students who successfully complete the certification requirements to local health providers with job openings. This Program and the associated California certification exam fees will be offered to students for free. CHAISR has managed similar training programs with a successful program completion rate of 88.2 percent. Recommendation No. 1 will request the Board to accept the funding for the Program, while the recommended contract under Recommendation No. 2 with the CHAISR will allow the County to

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transfer the funding from the CDHS to CHAISR as reflected under Section 19.56 € (32) of SB 170.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Julie Surber, Principal Assistant County Counsel, 387-5445) on February 14, 2022; Finance (Stephenie Shea, Finance Analyst, 387-4919) on February 14, 2022; and by County Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423) on February 14, 2022.

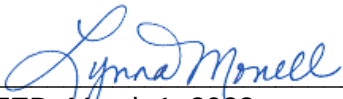
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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Dawn Rowe
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: March 1, 2022



cc: CAO - Jensen w/agree
Contractor - C/O CAO w/agree
File - w/agree
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