

San Bernardino County

Legislation Text

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

October 27, 2020

FROM

SHARON NEVINS, Director, Department of Aging and Adult Services

SUBJECT

Allocation from the California Department of Aging for Aging and Disability Resource Connection/No Wrong Door System Relief Funds and Budget Adjustment

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 1. Accept allocation from the California Department of Aging for Aging and Disability Resource Connection/No Wrong Door System relief funds for the prevention, preparation, and response to COVID-19, in the amount of \$277,638, for the period of April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.
- Authorize the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector to post the adjustments as indicated in the Financial Impact section below to the Department of Aging and Adult Services 2020-21 budget in the amount of \$277,638 for the allocation to allow sufficient appropriation to pay for Aging and Disability Resource Connection/No Wrong Door System program COVID-19 services. (Four votes required).
 (Presenter: Sharon Nevins, Director, 891-3917)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents. Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item does not require additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The allocation in the amount of \$277,638 from the California Department of Aging (CDA) for the Aging and Disability Resource Connection/No Wrong Door System (ADRC/NWD) is 100% federally funded by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) is requesting a budget adjustment to the 2020-21 budget for this COVID related funding:

Fund Center	Commitment Item/GL	'	Increase / (Decrease) Amount	WBSE
5290001036	40509155	Federal Pass Through	\$277,638	99.60.1010.10.62
5290001036		Program Contracted Services	\$277,638	99.60.1010.10.62

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

CDA has received \$3 million in CARES Act funds for State Aging and Disability Resource Centers. In order to receive this ADRC/NWD funding from CDA to be utilized in response to the COVID-19 pandemic at the local level, recipients must be approved as a Designated or Emerging ADRC and be in good standing with CDA. DAAS received CDA approval in February 2020 as an Emerging ADRC for the County. The allocation amount disbursed by CDA to each of the 16 statewide ADRCs contains a base amount of \$85,000 in addition to a factored amount (i.e., population, square miles, and geographical isolation). San Bernardino County has been allocated \$277,638 in ADRC/NWD COVID-19 funds to be expended by September 30, 2021.

The ADRC program develops coordinated networks of programs and services (NWD Systems) to serve the needs of older adults, people with disabilities, and caregivers in navigating the fragmented/complicated system of long-term services and supports and achieving their personal goals and preferences for healthy aging. The program assists in enabling individuals to access all long-term services and supports through one agency, organization, coordinated network, or portal.

The purpose of this ADRC/NWD funding is to aid Designated and Emerging ADRCs' efforts to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19 by 1) supporting capacity and resource allocation at the local level to ensure coordination across agencies and 2) supporting immediate response to urgent needs resulting from COVID-19. The primary use of this funding is intended for conducting rapid assessments and supporting lasting systems changes related to consumer access to existing long-term services and support options.

On September 3, 2020, CDA notified DAAS of the ADRC/NWD allocation award in relief funds for the prevention, preparation, and response to COVID-19, in the amount of \$277,638, for the period of April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. DAAS will use the allocation to provide rapid assessments, enhanced and increased ADRC core services, staff training, technology assessments and assistance, screenings and protocols to mitigate social isolation, strategies to mitigate obstacles in accessing supports such as nutrition and personal care, outreach, and application assistance.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Jacqueline Carey-Wilson, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on October 5, 2020; Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (Erika Gomez, General Accounting Manager, 382-3196) on September 23, 2020; Finance (Christopher Lange, Administrative Analyst, 386-8393) on October 2, 2020; and County Finance and Administration (Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on October 7, 2020.