

# San Bernardino County

## Legislation Text

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

May 23, 2023

#### **FROM**

JOSHUA DUGAS, Director, Department of Public Health

#### **SUBJECT**

Accept a Donation from Shasta County Public Health Laboratory of a Bio-Rad Evolis Automated Immunoassay Analyzer Instrument

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 1. Authorize the Department of Public Health to accept the donation of one unbudgeted Bio-Rad Evolis Automated Immunoassay Analyzer instrument for the use of blood tests and make budget adjustments to cover a one-time transportation cost not to exceed \$15,000.
- 2. Authorize the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector to post budget adjustments, as indicated in the Financial Impact section (Four votes required).

(Presenter: Joshua Dugas, Director, 387-9146)

#### **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 and Stakeholders.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

This donation will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). There is a one-time cost, not to exceed, \$15,000, to transport the Bio-Rad Evolis Automated Immunoassay Analyzer (Evolis) instrument from its current location in the Shasta County Public Health Laboratory and install it at the Department of Public Health (DPH) Laboratory. Once the Evolis instrument is re-certified by Bio-Rad, the DPH Laboratory will enter into a service agreement with Bio-Rad. DPH requests the following 2022-23 budget adjustments:

Fund Center	Commitment Item	Description	Action	Amount
9300001000	54404040	Equipment	Increase	\$15,000
9300001000		Conference/ Training/ Seminar Fee	Decrease	\$15,000

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Acceptance of the donated Evolis instrument from the Shasta County Public Health Laboratory will allow the DPH Laboratory to conduct an additional 8,000 blood tests per year, representing approximately 50% of the DPH Laboratory's current non COVID-19 testing volume. The DPH Laboratory currently owns an Evolis

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instrument, purchased in late 2020, which is in nearly continuous daily use for QuantiFERON, hepatitis, syphilis, and HIV testing. The quantity of blood tests performed by the DPH Laboratory is expected to increase in support of hospital and clinic operations. In addition, the DPH Laboratory does testing for other agencies and bills on a fee-for-service basis. The additional Evolis instrument will allow DPH to maintain or increase laboratory testing, thus potentially increasing revenue to support the upkeep costs of owning the donated instrument. A second Evolis instrument would ensure continued rapid testing turnaround time and serve as a backup in case of equipment failure.

On March 29, 2023, the Shasta County Public Health Laboratory communicated its desire to donate the Evolis instrument to the DPH Laboratory; this instrument was unused except for original installation and testing in early 2022.

The one-time transportation cost of \$15,000 is due to the size and weight (weighs approximately 200 pounds) of the Evolis instrument. Per County Policy 06-01 and Standard Practice 06-01 SP, Board of Supervisors approval is required to accept gifts or donations valued over \$10,000. The Evolis instrument is currently valued at approximately \$56,000, which will be waived for this donation.

#### **PROCUREMENT**

N/A

#### **REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Adam Ebright, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 4, 2023; Auditor-Controller/Treasurer/Tax Collector (Vanessa Doyle, Deputy Chief Controller, 387-5669) on May 4, 2023; Finance (Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on May 4, 2023; and County Finance and Administration (Cheryl Adams, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0238) on May 8, 2023.