



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Medical Center

DATE: October 10, 2002

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 29, 2002

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Nancy Steiger, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Appropriation Transfer Request

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Recommendation

Approve an Appropriation Transfer Request (ATR) Recognizing Unanticipated Revenue for the Health Care for the Homeless (HCH) Program Increasing Intergovernmental Revenues (\$137,813), Services and Supplies (\$137,813) in the Community Health Clinics Enterprise Fund (6850B).

Background

The Department of Hospital and Clinics has administered a Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) Health Care for the Homeless (HCH), Section 330(H), Public Health Services Act grant since 1995. The HCH grant appropriation is \$655,025 per year. HCH grant funding is currently used to provide health care services to homeless adults, adolescents and children through agreements with the Public Health Mobile Van, Youth and Family Assistance and the Jefferson Union High School District. In addition to providing healthcare to San Mateo County's homeless population, the 330-(H) grant qualifies the Health Services' outpatient clinics for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) status. FQHC status allows Department of Hospital and Clinics to claim cost-based reimbursement for outpatient clinic services.

Discussion

In the spring of 2002, the HCH Program submitted an application to the BPHC for additional funding in the amount of \$157,500 to provide primary care, dental, and social services to the homeless population in San Mateo County. In September 2002, the BPHC awarded the funding to the HCH Program as an add-on to the current HCH grant starting October 1, 2002.

The HCH Program will contract with the Clara-Mateo Alliance to provide the primary care, dental and social services to chronic homeless individuals. For current fiscal year 2002-2003 the federal funding source has allocated \$137,813 to this County for this purpose.

Vision Alignment

This ATR for the Health Care for the Homeless Program keeps the commitment of Ensuring Basic Health and Safety for All and goal number 8: Help vulnerable people – the aged, disabled, mentally ill, at-risk youth and others – achieve a better quality of life. The ATR contributes to this commitment and goal as it will allocate \$137,813 to the Health Care for the Homeless program for primary care, dental and social services awarded from the BPHC.

Fiscal Impact

The attached ATR recognizes the unanticipated revenue \$137,813 to the HCH Program for primary care, dental, and social services awarded from the BPHC. There is no net county cost as the expenses are reimbursed through the BPHC HCH grant. The on-going HCH funding will be included in the FY2002-03 and subsequent budgets.