Outside Agency Requests for County Funding, FY 2015-16

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|---|---|---|
| 1. | TV Santa Barbara | $ 50,000 |
| 2. | City of Santa Barbara | 10,000 |
| 3. | Committee for Social Justice | 10,000 |
| 4. | New Beginnings Counseling Center | 10,000 |
| 5. | UC Cooperative Extension | 9,000 |
| 6. | Legal Aid Foundation of SB County | 100,000 |
| 7. | Casa Esperanza Homeless Center | 120,000 |
| 8. | Los Alamos Cemetery District | 50,000 |
| 9. | Economic Vitality Team of SB County | 75,000 |
| 10. | (**NEW 6-5-15**) Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center | 10,000 |
| 11. | (**NEW 6-5-15**) Community Action Commission | 75,000 |
| 12. | (**NEW 6-9-15**) Santa Ynez Senior Citizens Foundation | 26,000 |
| 13. | (**NEW 6-9-15**) Los Olivos Business Organization | 25,000 |
| | Total Outside Agency funding requests | $ 570,000 |
| | (**NEW 6-8-15**) Sheriff's Community Resource Deputy (CRD)<br>See #11 and #13 Letters of Support | 184,000 |
| | | $ 754,000 |

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**TV Santa Barbara** **TVSB**

Request $50,000

Attached is TV Santa Barbara's FY 15 – 16 Budget Request for our agreement with the County of Santa Barbara to continue providing Public and Educational Access Services to South Santa Barbara County.

It is our understanding that the operational fund will have approximately $20,580 remaining at the end of this fiscal year with the current agreement expiring in January 2017. Under the terms of our agreement with the County, we are requesting an allocation from this fund of $13,720 for FY 16.

We would appreciate your consideration of a higher level of funding to help to continue the level of support that was anticipated under the established contractual agreement. In order to maintain service levels with the economic downturn and a previous decrease in funding levels from the City of Santa Barbara, the organization drew a higher percentage from the operating fund established by the County.

An additional allocation up to $50,000 in FY16 would allow TV Santa Barbara to have a greater impact in the community. Two primary areas of our strategic plan would be assisted with an increase in funding: 1) Increase in our Training and Youth Media Programs, or 2) Resource Development. The funding would be allocated towards the addition of either a Training and Youth Media Coordinator or a Development Coordinator to our staff. We welcome the County Board of Supervisors' input to determine a priority use for the increased funding.

A Training and Youth Media Coordinator position would expand and increase our media production training and support for youth in our community. Today's youth are surrounded by media messages which shape their perspectives, beliefs, and self-image. An expanded youth media program will provide youth with the knowledge and tools to express themselves in media, shape their own images, and share their voices for a positive community impact.

A Development Coordinator position would focus on resource development and expansion of our earned income and fundraising efforts. One of our organization's strategic goals is to increase and expand our resources to ensure the long-term health and viability of the organization. An expansion of our development efforts will allow the organization to further leverage the funding support provided by the City of Santa Barbara to have a greater community impact.

Since 2010, TV Santa Barbara has faced significant reductions in our levels of operational funding from local government sources of more than $200,000. While the organization has been successful in increasing other revenue sources, we are still short of replacing the loss of operational revenue from local governments.

In an environment of increased media consolidation, TV Santa Barbara provided more than $745,000 worth of media production services to the community in 2014. More than 1,450 original episodes were aired on the public and educational access channels, and our MediaU training programs reached more than 125 people to provide more than 420 hours of media training to the community. In the last two years, more than 100 area organizations have been highlighted through programming on TVSB.

We appreciate the County of Santa Barbara's continued support and consideration of our request for increased funding to empower people to make media that matters. Please contact me if you have any questions or would like more information.

Best,

Matt Schuster
Executive Director, TV Santa Barbara

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*TV Santa Barbara's mission is to empower people to make media that matters.*

## TV Santa Barbara

TVSB

| | FY 14 Actual | FY 15 Budget | FY 16 Budget Request |
|---|---|---|---|
| Income | | | |
| 1000 Local Government Grant Agreements | | | |
| 1010 City of Carpinteria | $ 15,000 | $ 15,000 | $ 15,000 |
| 1020 City of Santa Barbara | $ 273,800 | $ 280,000 | $ 308,000 |
| 1025 City of Santa Barbara Educational Access | $ 15,000 | $ 15,000 | $ 15,000 |
| Total 1020 City of Santa Barbara | $ 288,800 | $ 295,000 | $ 323,000 |
| 1040 County of Santa Barbara | $ 52,000 | $ 13,720 | $ 13,720 |
| Total 1000 Contracts | $ 355,800 | $ 323,720 | $ 351,720 |
| Total 2000 Fundraising | $ 15,918 | $ 6,000 | $ 41,000 |
| Total 3000 Program Services | $ 75,873 | $ 69,900 | $ 100,410 |
| 4000 Facility/Equipment Income | | | |
| 4001 Co. of SB Capital Endowment Interest | $ 5,000 | $ - | |
| 4010 City of Santa Barbara DIVCA PEG Fee | $ 126,000 | $ 138,000 | $ 141,000 |
| 4011 PEG Fee Carryover prev year | | $ 12,207 | $ 3,044.97 |
| 4050 Capital Campaign Donation | $ - | | |
| Total 4000 Facility/Equipment Income | $ 131,000 | $ 150,207 | $ 144,045 |
| Total 4500 Grants | $ 1,000 | $ - | $ 10,000 |
| Total Income | $ 579,591 | $ 549,827 | $ 653,337 |
| Discounts Given/Pro Bono Production Grants | $ (1,212) | | $ (7,580) |
| Gross Profit | $ 578,379 | $ 549,827 | $ 645,757 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Total 5000 Personnel Expenses | $ 330,405 | $ 314,400 | $ 380,070 |
| Total 6000 Administrative | $ 21,319 | $ 19,350 | $ 14,585 |
| Total 7000 Professional Development | $ 4,082 | $ 4,300 | $ 10,650 |
| Total 8000 Operations | $ 13,032 | $ 12,700 | $ 10,750 |
| Total 8100 Production | $ 4,345 | $ 7,400 | $ 6,900 |
| Total 8200 Professional Services | $ 19,134 | $ 24,100 | $ 17,850 |
| Total 8300 Promotion/Marketing | $ 5,977 | $ 10,150 | $ 11,650 |
| Total 8400 Fund Development | $ 11,013 | $ 3,000 | $ 22,800 |
| 8500 Grant Related Expenses | | $ - | $ - |
| Total 9000 Facilities/Equipment | $ 147,620 | $ 174,132 | $ 171,815 |
| Total Expenses | $ 556,926 | $ 569,532 | $ 647,070 |
| Net Operating Income | $ 22,665 | $ (19,705) | $ 105 |

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# City of Santa Barbara

Community Development Department

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March 9, 2015

Request
$10,000

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County of Santa Barbara – Clerk of the Board
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RE: FY15/16 Budget Hearings

Dear Mr. Allen,

The County of Santa Barbara has contracted with the City of Santa Barbara's Rental Housing Mediation Task Force (RHMTF) at the rate of $25,000 per year since 1999. In Fiscal Year 2014-15 the Board of Supervisors (BOS) approved an increase to $27,500. We have been informed that the Housing & Community Development (HCD) budget for Fiscal Year 2016 includes $25,000 for this service, which is insufficient to cover the costs of providing services to residents residing in the unincorporated areas of the County (including Isla Vista).

In order for the RHMTF program to continue serving residents outside of the City of Santa Barbara, each jurisdiction needs to pay an amount equal to the percentage of the RHMTF operating budget based upon the percentage of that jurisdiction's clients served. For example, residents covered by the County contract represented sixteen percent (16%) of total clients served by RHMTF in Fiscal Year 2014; however the County's contribution represented only thirteen percent (13%) of the program's operating budget. A level contribution would equal only eleven percent (11%) of the program's proposed Fiscal Year 2016 budget. The County's contribution to the RHMTF program has not kept up with the increased costs associated with the program; therefore, this letter is to request that the BOS increase the FY 2015-16 RHMTF budget to $35,000 and include that amount in the County's annual budget.

The RHMTF program serves approximately 250 unduplicated residents per year who reside in the Unincorporated Areas of the County of Santa Barbara. Services include staff consultation and information dissemination on landlord-tenant rights and responsibilities regarding termination of tenancy cases, habitability and repair cases, security deposits cases, relocation benefits per County Code Chapter 44, invasion of privacy, discrimination, rent increases, forcible evictions, fair housing laws and referrals to appropriate social service agencies as needed. Termination of Tenancy cases, if not resolved, can sometimes result in a tenant becoming homeless.

Please let me know if I can provide you information that will assist you in your consideration of this request, or if you would like to meet to discuss this proposal or to discuss the cost of adding mediation services.

Sincerely,

Sue Gray
Community Development Business Manager

Cc: Dinah Lockhart, County Deputy Director HCD Administration
George Buell, Community Development Director
Deirdre Randolph, Community Development Programs Supervisor
Andrea Bifano, Sr. Rental Housing Mediation Specialist

#3

Peter Marin
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Request
$10,000

March 25, 2015

Mona Miyasato
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(hard copy follows via regular mail)

EMERGENCY JAIL RIDE PROPOSAL (For Fiscal Year July 1 2016)

1. Proposal:

That Santa Barbara County (with perhaps the possible future help of the cities of Santa Barbara, Carpinteria and Goleta) fund, with 10K per fiscal year, the emergency jail ride program that is presently overseen by the Committee for Social Justice (with the help of its new fiscal partner, Good Sam) and was funded this past fiscal year, for the first time, by the county.

PLEASE NOTE that we would prefer it if this program, proven over time to be of use and efficiently run, can be funded at this point ON AN ON-GOING AND PERMANENT basis as a regular part of the county budget; short of that we hope you will at least fund it again for the next fiscal year.

ALSO PLEASE NOTE that our new fiscal agent, to whom the funds will go and by whom they will be spent going forward, is now GOOD SAM.

2. The Program:

The Emergency Ride Program is actually quite simple: cab rides are offered at two different times a night, during the hours when buses do not run, to releases determined by jail personnel to lack sufficient funds to pay for a ride back to town and who have no-one to pick them up. This group is usually (but not always) comprised of the indigent and homeless.

The pick-up times are presently 1 a.m. and 3 a.m., but these can be changed by the jail staff depending on the shifting pattern of late night releases. Twice a night, the dispatcher from The Rock Star cab company calls the jail release office and finds out if anyone is waiting for rides. If they are, a cab is sent to pick up those who are waiting, who can then be taken to one of three sites in Santa Barbara (the Transit Center, the Salvation Army or The Rescue Mission) or to one site each in Goleta and Carpinteria. Additionally, in the winter months, riders can go directly to wherever the Warming Centers are in operation. The cost of these rides to the program is $20 to a Santa Barbara site, $25 to Carp or Goleta, with $10 added for each additional rider

(I should add this: the cab system was instituted only after lengthy study of alternatives, which included running buses at night, hiring a private bus, using private volunteer drivers, having jailors or sheriffs do the transporting, etc. The results were always the same: the cheapest possible program involved the use of cabs.

This system of twice-a-night pick-ups, changed from the original system of rides on demand, was instituted in about the middle of 2014. It brought the nightly expense of rides down substantially, since, as a rule, those with other options are not inclined to wait for the pick-up times. Our monthly costs used to vary between $800 and $1500 per month, but, since the new system started, the average is somewhere below $600 per month, and occasionally as little as $350 or so.

Thus the 10K we are requesting will in all likelihood entirely cover the cost of rides for the next fiscal year, though there is no absolute guarantee of that, since patterns of release and use change with the time of year and the ways in which the jail is being used.

I will add this: this is a time-tested and well-working program that has been in operation for several years, precariously funded by private donors until the county stepped in last year and agreed to fund it. The jail staff under its new leadership has fully cooperated with the program and hands out ride vouchers only to those who are leaving the jail without enough to pay for the necessary cab-ride at night. Rock Star Cab has from the beginning cooperated fully with the program as it has changed. CSJ has continued to check the invoices, make sure available funds are adequate and bring the essential participants together when necessary.

Good Sam is the ideal organization to step in to replace Legal Aid since it has on-going relationships with the jail staff and presently funds Tona Wakefield, the Jail Discharge Planner.

Finally, the system works this way: each month Rock Star tabulates the number and cost of rides it has provided and send this invoice to the Program's fiscal agent -- last year Legal Aid, in the year to come, Good Sam. Then Good Sam pays the invoices and copies the Committee for Social Justice, whose job it to check the invoices, the money available and also to raise additional money should that necessary.

3. History of the Program:

For 20 years or more homeless advocates have been concerned about late-night jail (between 7 at night and 7 in the morning) releases and the fact that after the city buses have stopped running the indigent must make their own ways back to town, usually by walking the 7 miles to town regardless of the weather, which is sometimes cold, wet and stormy. It have proved over the years impossible to prevent late-night releases (the sheriff claims they cannot be prevented) or to engage local officials at any level to accept responsibility for getting the indigent, once released, safely back to town.

Finally, in 2009, John Buttny, as head of BOCH instituted a ride program (with the help of several advocates) to be funded via BOCH funds. When John left the organization, Mike Foley took over and, in 2010, allowed the night-ride program to lapse, arguing there were insufficient funds to continue it. At the point several local advocates, all of them participants in Chuck Blitz's Friday group, decided to raise private funds and continue the program on their own.

In mid-2010 (the dates herein are not exact), more or less, the program was reinstated, and the Committee of Social Justice, for whom I serve as chairman accepted responsibility for keeping it afloat. Subsequently, book-keeping responsibilities were transferred to Legal Aid, and they will shift again this year to Good Sam. But CSJ to this day remains primarily (and solely) responsible for raising the necessary funds to keep the program running and also dealing with Jail administrators and the Rock Star Cab company.

Hopefully, as the program ages, it may be possible for the various organizations involved in the project -- the jail, Good Sam and the cab company -- to deal directly with one another without the intervention of CSJ, but for the moment we remain ultimately responsible for the program.

sitting up in a chair, waiting for dawn) and no doubt they sometimes fall ill. Since they are indigent, the cost of dealing with their illness falls ultimately on the county and local hospitals.

(c) There is a mental health issue since at least some of those forced to walk back from the jail are on county mental health rolls and many other should be but are not. Surely some sort of responsibility for their well-being falls to the county.

(d) Some are officially disabled, and forcing them to walk 7 miles to town whatever the weather may be strikes one as clearly a violation of the ADA regulations.

(e) All of the above can be considered in the context of moral obligations or the denial of moral responsibility on the part of local officials, and it should be in moral terms unthinkable to let the public policies for this situation remain as they are.

(f) There are also legal questions pertaining to the list above. Many years ago someone coming back from the jail was side-swiped by a car and killed. No legal action followed but surely one could have. No-one has yet seen fit to raise these issues in court, but one wonders precisely how the county would defend itself.

(g) Finally there is this question. Do the local governmental agencies not have a responsibility to protect their citizens from inmates released late at night and walking through their neighborhoods from midnight until dawn? There are citizens who won't go downtown because they see the indigent and mentally ill on the streets. They worry abt their own well-being and the well-being of those they love. Should they be subject -- without their knowledge -- to a constant passing stream of the recently released? Do the recently released pose any danger to them? Is it not the county's job to see to their safety?

*For a while Zona Seca was used to fill the void, at least in relation to drunks, and it is true that the city of SB has a "sobering center," but chronic alcoholics soon out-strip the number of times they can use it, and there are no facilities there for troublesome, loud, noisy, difficult or sick drunks who must be taken up to the jail. In addition, hearsay indicates that some individual policemen use the trip to the jail (as opposed to the sobering center) in a punitive way or perhaps as what one might call an inducement to stay sober.

7) Recapitulation:

We propose that the county of SB (with the possible but not necessarily likely help of SB Goleta and Carpinteria) regularly provide up to 10K each fiscal year to fund the Emergency Ride Program for as long as it remains necessary to continue the program. Like the Warming Centers, the program can be publicly funded but privately run -- a mode of cooperation that in many situations works really well.

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for the Committee for Social Justice
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# NEW BEGINNINGS
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OUR MISSION IS TO STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITY BY HELPING PEOPLE LIVE HEALTHIER, MORE PRODUCTIVE LIVES.

March 31, 2015

Michael Allen
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board
County of Santa Barbara
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: FY 2015/2016 Budget Hearings

Dear Mr. Allen,

I am writing to request consideration for $10,000 in funding for the *Safe Parking Program* in the upcoming county budget hearings. New Beginnings Counseling Center's *Safe Parking and Homeless Outreach Program* is the **only** program in Santa Barbara County that offers critical and comprehensive overnight shelter services to our county's homeless living in their vehicles.

Customarily we have been awarded county funding through the Santa Barbara County CDBG, ESG or other county funding streams. This year the Safe Parking Program was not funded through the county (with the exception of an as-yet unconfirmed small grant through the Human Services Fund to create a program manual). This leaves the program under-funded for the coming year. This request for consideration represents a request to at the very least minimally cover the $10,000 that was awarded to us through CDBG funding in the previous year's proposal process.

**Need for Program:** The *Safe Parking and Homeless Outreach Program* provides Santa Barbara's vehicular homeless with critical services such as *Safe Parking*, which provides monitored overnight parking for homeless individuals and families who live in their vehicles, and *Homeless Outreach*, which meets the basic human needs of the chronically homeless. Our goal is to help as many of these individuals as possible access secure housing and employment as they make positive changes in their lives.

This program continues to be in great demand, particularly as the divide widens between people who are positioned to thrive in the economic recovery and those who are worse off than they were even a year ago. Those who are flailing include military veterans, a population disproportionately represented in homelessness. As with others who are homeless, our support services for these veterans through the *Safe Parking and Homeless Outreach Program* is critical

to their ability to live safely as we work to transition them and their families into stable housing. There is no other agency in Santa Barbara County that offers such a program of essential services to our community's vehicular homeless.

In addition to offering safe overnight parking spaces, the program includes a rapid re-housing component that provides case management to move this population into permanent housing and employment. To achieve this, we offer job tutoring and resume preparation--including in-kind career counseling services for the City of Santa Barbara Housing Authority's clients--and facilitate outside agency connections as needed to attain housing or gain employment. Additionally, the program provides street outreach to the chronically homeless in an effort to connect them with medical and psychiatric care, social security, veteran and other benefits, and shelters and food assistance programs.

Under the program, we manage and monitor 112 spaces in 20 parking lots provided by area churches, businesses, and city and county offices. In fiscal 2013-2014 ended June 30, we served a total of 839 clients in overnight parking, case management and street outreach. The program connected 28 people to employment and housed 63. In addition, we were able to provide $54,228 in cash assistance to clients to help with securing housing, vehicle repairs, and to meet medical and dental needs.

This program meets the essential needs of homeless individuals and it offers access to housing and job security. We believe that if positive change is to be achievable, our society must provide the health and human resources when, how and where resources are needed. This high-quality and effective program accomplishes positive changes for the homeless, who many times have severe mental health issues addressed at our clinic, and for disenfranchised veterans, who are also served through our Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program. Without this support, the end result is potentially disastrous.

Continued funding from the county is needed to help us to continue to be able to provide these unduplicated services. Please let me know via email at kschwarz@sbnbcc.org or by phone at 805-963-7777, extension 144, should you seek additional information in order to consider this request. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kind Regards,

Kristine J. Schwarz, MA, MFT, LPCC
Executive Director

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# University of California
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May 26, 2015

Mona Miyasato
County Executive Officer, Santa Barbara County
Attn: Jette Christiansson
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Ms. Miyasato:

I understand that it is once again time to review the county contract that supports the University of California Cooperative Extension in Santa Barbara County. I want to provide some information that may be helpful in informing the discussion and offer to participate in any way that might be useful.

The successful partnership between Santa Barbara County and UC Cooperative Extension dates back to 1920 with the appointment of the first Farm Advisor, Dr. Thomas Batchelder. This partnership continues to provide significant benefits to the County of Santa Barbara in developing new knowledge and local solutions for agricultural advancements, natural resource management, youth development, and nutrition education. Our current achievements are reported on a quarterly basis, and provide specific examples of the many and varied activities undertaken by our local Extension academics and staff for the benefit of Santa Barbara's communities. During the current Fiscal Year (FY) 2014/2015 we have reached 5300 adults and 11,215 youth with our programs.

The current programmatic efforts in the County include:

Agriculture- Plant Sciences and Horticulture Research and Education Programs

- Drought strategies for agriculture and urban landscapes
- Avocado and other subtropical plant production
- Integrated pest management for pests (insect, weed) and diseases
- Small farms, specialty crops and organic production
- Soil and water management
- Viticulture

4-H Youth Development Programs (4-H YDP)

- Since July 2013, added 340 new youth members and 55 new adult volunteers
- Engaged more than 1,000 youth in ongoing educational and community service club programs
- Reached an additional 8,675 youth through the 4-H Agua Pura environmental education program and specialized programming with the THRIVE Santa Maria Healthy School Pantry in the Santa Maria-Bonita School District
- Extended programming to underserved populations has resulted in 71% of our total year to date enrollments being Latino youth

Fire Ecology and Management

- Local support of Santa Barbara Fire Safe Council programs
- Live fuel moisture monitoring citizen science programs
- Analysis of fuel management techniques and their sustainability and efficacy
- Mapping of fire weather patterns
- Linkages between fire and climate change
- Fire related policy education
- Planning and home considerations to reduce fire risk

UC Master Gardener Program

- Volunteer hours totaling 3100 hours year-to-date, and 3500 face to face contacts
- Volunteer hours support valued at $83,000 year-to-date
- More than 14,000 miles of travel in support of UC Master Gardener activities year-to-date
- Training provided to volunteers who, in turn, provide education/information to homeowners/gardeners on drought and water management, pest management, and food production
- Master Gardener volunteers who are often on the front line of detecting harmful and invasive pests as they enter the County

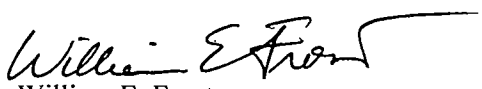
All of this is possible due to the effective partnership of the County and the University of California Cooperative Extension. As is well known, this partnership is reflected in the provision of support funds provided by the County and the provision of Cooperative Extension staff and access to University academic resources, statewide programs, etc. by the University.

It is important to note that County funds to the University in support of Cooperative Extension are critical to the continuation of this highly successful partnership. The UC Cooperative Extension Program in the County is contingent upon a mutually agreed upon partnership agreement. Local programs have continued with county-contracted funds of $153,000, representing 13% of the total UCCE funding in Santa Barbara County in FY 2014/2015.

As you are aware, we experienced increases in our costs of business that necessitated requesting an increase in our county contract to $162,000 for FY 2014/2015. That increase was award on a one-time basis during the FY 2014/2015 budget hearings. We are requesting that our contract support of $162,000 be made permanent during the FY 2015/2016 budget process.

I sincerely hope that we can continue the longstanding successful partnership of the County of Santa Barbara and UC Cooperative Extension. I'm willing to participate in any discussions where I might be able to provide additional information and value. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance at either (530) 750-1312 or wefrost@ucanr.edu.

Sincerely,



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May 8, 2015

Request $100,000

Mona Miyasato
CEO, County of Santa Barbara
105 E. Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Ms. Miyasato:

This letter is a request for the County Board of Supervisors to consider supplemental funding for the Domestic Violence Prevention Program of the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County and for Common Ground Santa Barbara County, a special project of the Legal Aid Foundation.

Attached are a proposal and a budget for the Family Violence Prevention Program. We are requesting $60,000 in funding which will assist us in our goal to keep our current staffing level of three attorneys and to be able to continue to provide services countywide to victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, and elder abuse and neglect. $60,000

Also attached is a proposal for a request of $40,000 for Common Ground Santa Barbara County. Common Ground works to obtain housing, benefits, and legal assistance for individuals living on the streets and in shelters. Common Ground consists of four part time employees and more than 600 volunteers. Common Ground fields six teams, including the successful Milpas Street outreach team, that go out into the community weekly to meet with individuals experiencing homelessness. In 2015 there has been an emphasis on working with the business community around the issue of homelessness, and our 2015-2016 request will allow us to further develop and expand these important efforts. Common Ground also conducts the bi-annual Point in Time Count and Vulnerability Survey, offers Medi-Cal Enrollment, outreaches to Veterans in advance of the annual Stand Down event, and assists Restorative Court defendants in obtaining housing and supportive services. $40,000

Last year, we requested $34,000 in an outside budget request from the Board of Supervisors for our programs. We have needed only a small portion of those funds because we were able to secure a federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant to pay for a North County attorney and we have been able to cut our Legal Resource Center costs this year significantly by eliminating overhead expenses. Those funds will be returned to the County. At the same time, we have so far this year been unable to secure any County funding for our programs. Last year, County funding totaled $150,509 with money coming from four different grants. Without some County support, our Family Violence Prevention Program and Common Ground will need to be severely cut back. We appreciate your consideration of our requests. We believe that both of these funding requests will provide important benefits to county residents.

Sincerely,

Molora Vadnais

Molora Vadnais
Managing Director, Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County

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**Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County**
**Family Violence Prevention Program**

The Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County is the only organization in the county that provides free legal services to victims of domestic violence, elder abuse, and sexual assault. In 2014, our Program represented 279 victims of abuse. When a woman, or sometimes a man, is a victim of domestic abuse, the District Attorney may prosecute the abuser, but the victim is left on her own for other legal services necessary to escape the cycle of violence. We not only assist victims with completing the complex paperwork necessary to obtain a court order, our attorneys also speak on behalf of the victims in court. A victim who goes to court without an attorney often must face her abuser alone. Almost all of our clients are marginalized—those who are low-income, those who are homeless, and those who are isolated due to cultural or language barriers. We help them navigate the overwhelming legal system.

Providing Legal Aid to victims of domestic violence has been proven to be the single most effective way to permanently stop domestic violence.[1] Shelters and Temporary Restraining Orders are critical in the initial stages of the person's break with violence, but without strong legal support and economic alternatives, a victim will often return to a partner only to be abused again. With three attorneys we finally have the resources to stay with a case until our client has completely separated from a partner and is financially self-sufficient.

We assist victims with the following:

- We obtain protective orders that prohibit the batterer from approaching the victim and her children, and from purchasing or possessing firearms. We even obtain court orders to protect the family pet from abuse.

- We assist the victim in divorcing her abuser as well as obtaining custody of her children.

- We obtain court orders to force the batterer to move out of the home, so that the victim and her children are not forced into homelessness as a result of finally seeking help. Where the victim desires to relocate, we assist in finding housing and obtaining other benefits.

- We assist eligible clients to obtain a U Visa, a special visa for victims of violent crimes, that allow them to work.

This past year, we obtained a two-year federal grant to partially fund a family violence prevention attorney in the North County. We also obtained a one-year grant from the Women's Fund to fund a second attorney in the South County. The Women's Fund grant is non-renewable.

We are the only place in the county for a victim of a crime to get help applying for a U Visa at no cost. We believe that this service is so critical, not only for crime victims but for the societal interest in prosecuting crime, that we have expanded our services to include victims of rape and human trafficking.

Attached is a budget of our program for next year. We have already applied for over $250,000 funding from 11 private foundations. We will receive some of this funding, but not all of it. We will continue to apply for additional grants. For comparison, last year, we received $146,000 from private foundations for this program. It is unlikely that we will be able to secure the funding needed for the program with out significant County assistance. Without complete funding, we will most likely be required to lay off one attorney, our U Visa expert.

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[1] Amy Farmer and Jill Tiefenthaler, "Explaining the Recent Decline in Domestic Violence", Contemporary Economic Policy, January 2003.

**Family Violence Prevention Program**
**Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County**
**FY 15-16 Budget**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Income--Approved** | | | |
| EAF/IOLTA (State Bar) | $103,170 | | |
| VAWA | $ 92,000 | | |
| City of Santa Barbara | $ 34,000 | | |
| City of Santa Maria | $ 10,000 | | |
| Donations | $ 36,125 | | Based on last year's prorated/program |
| **Total Income Approved:** | | **$275,295** | |
| | | | |
| **Income—Requested** | | | |
| County of Santa Barbara | $ 60,000 | | |
| Fund for Santa Barbara | $ 10,000 | | |
| TJX Foundation | $ 10,000 | | |
| Santa Ynez Valley Fdn. | $ 5,000 | | |
| Altrusa | $ 1,500 | | |
| Wood's Family Fdn. | $ 10,000 | | |
| Latkin Foundation | $ 10,000 | | |
| Crawford Idema Fdn. | $ 10,000 | | |
| Ann Jackson Family Fdn. | $ 50,000 | | |
| Bull Foundation | $ 15,000 | | |
| Weingart Fdn. | $ 100,000 | | |
| Archstone Fdn. | $ 15,000 | | |
| **Total Income Requested X 50% approval rate** | | **$ 153,250** | |
| | | | |
| **Total Expected Income** | | **$ 428,545** | |
| | | | |
| **Expenses** | | | |
| **Personnel** | | | |
| Attorneys | $237,160 | | 3 FTE |
| Intake Staff | $ 65,681 | | percentage/attorney |
| Administrative Staff | $55,642 | | percentage/attorney |
| Contract Accounting | $18,000 | | percentage/attorney |
| **Total Personnel Costs** | | **$376,483** | |
| | | | |
| Operating Expenses | $ 30,517 | | percentage/attorney |
| Occupancy Expenses | $ 21,545 | | percentage/attorney |
| **Total Non-Personnel Costs** | | **$ 52,062** | |
| | | | |
| **Total Expenses** | | **$ 428,545** | |

**2015-2016 Common Ground Santa Barbara County**
**Outside Budget Request: Housing Focused Outreach and Housing Support**
**Emphasis on Developing Partnerships with the Business Community**

**Common Ground Santa Barbara County:** Recruits, trains and educates volunteers so they can effectively house the most vulnerable individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Santa Barbara County. We are a collaborative effort of community members from the non-profit, governmental, business and faith communities of Santa Barbara County striving to end homelessness in our communities.

**MILPAS:** In 2014 with the Central Coast Collaboration on Homelessness, the Milpas Community Association, Social Venture Partners, Restorative Police, County partners and others we launched the "Milpas Pilot Project." The project focused outreach efforts on ten individuals who the business community identified as causing negative impacts on the community[2]. The Milpas Project was a resounding success. Of the original ten, eight were housed or reunified with family. All of the individuals were connected to supportive services. The participants in the Milpas project decided the first year was a success and that they wanted to continue the project. People who have significant impacts on the community and who are very vulnerable have now been added to the project.

**STATE STREET:** Based on the success of the Milpas Project we have begun working with the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness and the Downtown Organization on a "State Street Project." Once again people were selected who had a negative impact on the community. On State Street many of the individuals identified also had significant mental health needs. We are working closely with Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services to connect these individuals with supportive services.

**CARPINTERIA & GOLETA:** We have begun working with the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness on efforts in Carpinteria and Goleta to do similarly targeted housing focused outreach.

**ISLA VISTA:** In Isla Vista we assisted individuals moving into Pescadero Lofts to complete applications, secure documentation and sign leases. We secured a $5,000 donation from UCSB and are developing a team to support newly housed residents of Pescadero Lofts. This team is modeled on our successful El Carrillo (Santa Barbara City Housing) and Faulding (Santa Barbara Community Housing Corp.) teams.

**ONGOING OUTREACH EFFORTS:** As we expand we continue to focus on creating and supporting street outreach and housing support teams. Our goal is to create teams throughout the county wherever there is a need.

**TRAINING AND EDUCATION OF STAFF, VOLUNTEERS AND PEER NAVIGATORS:** Our outreach is based on best practices, with training on safety, healthy boundaries, and self-care. During each countywide Point In Time Count and Vulnerability Survey (2011, 2013 and 2015) more than 500 volunteers participated. We provide ongoing ways for those volunteers to stay engaged. We provide monthly trainings for all volunteers that are free and open to the public. We also collaborate with the Mental Wellness Center to train staff and volunteers in Mental Health First Aid.

**CONCLUSION**

Attached is a budget of our program for next year. We have secured significant funding from foundations and individual donors. This year we have also received, for the first time, commitments of support from the business community. However, we depend on local government to be a partner. Since Common Ground was founded we have received an average of $43,000 a year from the County of Santa Barbara. This year there are no funds identified for this project. Without complete funding, we will need to cut staff and scale back our regional outreach efforts with the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness and the business community.

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[2] Negative impacts on the community include calls for law enforcement response and emergency medical services.

**Common Ground Santa Barbara County**
**Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County**
**FY 15-16 Budget**

**Income Requested**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| McCune Foundation (pending) | 25,000 | |
| Fund For Santa Barbara | | 10,000 (3rd year of a multi-year grant) |
| Private Donations and Fdns. (raised or pledged) | 64,000 | |
| Government (pending) | 73,000 | |
| Business Organizations | 8,000 | |
| Total Income: | **$180,000** | |

**Expenses**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Supervisor | 51,840 | .8 FTE |
| Volunteer Coordinator | 34,560 | .8 FTE |
| Team Leader | 34,560 | .8 FTE |
| Peer Navigator | 18,432 | .5 FTE |
| Paid Interns | 2,000 | |
| Operating Expenses | 33,650 | |
| Occupancy Expenses | 4,800 | |
| Total Expenses: | **$179,842** | |

# Casa Esperanza Homeless Center

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Request $120,000


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May 15, 2015

Honorable Janet Wolf, Chair & Members of the Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Casa Esperanza request for continuation of $120,000 discretionary allocation from General Funds for Fiscal Year 2015-16

Dear Chairperson Wolf and Supervisors:

Thank you for your continued support of Casa Esperanza and our efforts to help reduce homelessness in Santa Barbara. The purpose of this letter is to request the continuation of the $120,000 of discretionary support from the County General Fund for Casa Esperanza for FY 15-16. We have also requested that the City of Santa Barbara continue its $125,000 from its General Fund.

Casa Esperanza is completing the second year of financial and programmatic turnaround. This has provided much greater financial stability as well as significant benefits to our clients and our community. We have implemented strict fiscal discipline, dramatically reduced costs by almost $1 million annually, reduced our debt by more than $2.1 million, refinanced a costly mortgage, obtained funding from sources that previously declined to fund us, and obtained better reimbursement rates for the services we provide. We had a modest operating surplus last year and are on track for break even this year.

Programmatically, we discontinued our drop in day center and open lunch programs, require clients to abstain from alcohol and drug use, and now serve only Santa Barbara County residents. All clients agree to a Good Neighbor policy, and now enjoy a much better accord with the neighborhood association.

We have agreed to merge with PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) which will bring significant benefits to Casa and the Santa Barbara community. PATH offers technical and programmatic expertise and access to significant funding sources that Casa Esperanza would not otherwise successfully obtain. Our agreement with PATH requires that Casa be self-funding, and in exchange, all funds raised in Santa Barbara be used in Santa Barbara.

# Casa Esperanza Homeless Center

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We have recruited an experienced Managing Director, Jessica Wishan, a former PATH employee, who will assume the role of Executive Director upon merger.

**Casa Esperanza's Operational and Fiscal Outlook:**

Casa has made significant strides in improving its finances. FYTD through April 30, 2015, we had a modest operating loss of $8,000, and we expect to break even by year end, unless two significant grants scheduled for June do not materialize as planned. We will also report $1 million in previously agreed debt forgiveness by City and County.

Casa has a two-pronged strategy to further strengthen its long term financial sustainability: to obtain the support of foundations not currently funding us and negotiating for a more adequate cost reimbursement from organizations for which we have fee for service partnerships in place. We are successfully implementing both.

We have gained funding support from Crawford-Idema Foundation, Outhwaite Foundation, Venoco, Towbes Foundation, Ann Jackson Foundation and Wood-Claeyssens Foundation.

We have negotiated more adequate cost reimbursement rates for the services we provide. While we still have more progress to make, the improvements have been substantial. We have also expanded our partnership with ADMHS, by increasing their beds from 15 to 20.

The merger with PATH will bring access to new funding sources, including HUD and Veterans grants, where PATH has significant experience and a track record of favorable outcomes.

While we have made significant progress to date, we still have a funding gap for which we request the continuation of the one-time grant from the General Fund from the County and City for next fiscal year. A copy of our budget with comments on significant elements is appended.

We and PATH welcome the opportunity to address any questions or concerns you may have. We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jessica Wishan
Managing Director

Joe Tumbler
Interim Executive Director

# Casa Ezperanza Homeless Shelter
## Revised Preliminary Budget 2015-16
## (as of May 18, 2015)

| | Approved Budget 2014-15 - Adjusted | Preliminary Revised Budget 2015-16 |
|---|---|---|
| Income | | |
| 4000 · RESTRICTED REVENUE | | |
| 4055 · COTTAGE HEALTH SYSTEM | $ 121,000 | $ 200,000 |
| 4060B · SB Found Thrive (City Program) | $ 19,640 | $ - |
| 4065 · ST. FRANCIS FOUNDATION | $ 150,000 | $ 100,000 |
| 4085 · FOUNDATION INCOME - GILDEA | $ 75,000 | $ 75,000 |
| 4050 · FOUNDATIONS-Restr'd | $ 250,000 | $ 250,000 |
| Total 4050 · FOUNDATIONS-Restr'd | $ 615,640 | $ 625,000 |
| 4265A · City SB CDBG | $ 51,000 | $ 51,000 |
| 4267A · City SB Human Svc Comm | $ 39,000 | $ 39,000 |
| 4270 · CITY OF SB - CDD (WINTER SHLTR) | $ 77,100 | $ 79,500 |
| CITY - REQUESTED ADDITIONAL FUNDS | $ 125,000 | $ 125,000 |
| Total 4260 · CITY OF SB | $ 292,100 | $ 294,500 |
| 4280 · COUNTY OF SB | | |
| 4315 · CO of SB-Probation | $ 60,000 | $ 50,000 |
| 4285A · Co SB ADMH Night Shltr BL02033 | $ 66,000 | $ 171,000 |
| 4285C · Co SB ADMH Mntl Hlth Wk | $ 61,200 | $ - |
| 4288A · Co SB CSD Emer Svc Grnt | $ 110,700 | $ 141,000 |
| 4296A · Co SB HCD Emer Shltr | $ 20,000 | $ - |
| Dept of Social Services | $ - | $ 15,000 |
| NOFA-Best Practices-Employment | $ - | $ 80,000 |
| 4296D · Co SB HCD Emer Sv Util | $ 11,190 | $ - |
| 4296E · Co SB HCD Rapid Rehousing | $ 11,190 | $ - |
| 4305A · Co SB Pub Hlth Substance Abuse ( | $ 15,000 | $ 15,000 |
| COUNTY - REQUESTED ADDITIONAL FUND | $ 120,000 | $ 120,000 |
| Total 4280 · COUNTY OF SB | $ 475,280 | $ 592,000 |
| Total 4355 · CONTRIBUTIONS | $ 449,500 | $ 378,000 |
| Total Income | $ 1,832,520 | $ 1,889,500 |

# Casa Ezperanza Homeless Shelter
## Revised Preliminary Budget 2015-16
## (as of May 18, 2015)

| | Approved Budget 2014-15 - Adjusted | Preliminary Revised Budget 2015-16 |
|---|---|---|
| Expense | | |
| 5050 · AUTOMOBILE | $ 6,386 | $ 6,578 |
| 5100 · BANK CHARGES | $ 1,059 | $ 1,091 |
| 5110 · BUS TOKENS | $ 4,933 | $ 5,081 |
| Total 5120 · CLIENT EXPENSES | $ 20,674 | $ 12,000 |
| 5155 · COMPUTER EXPENSE | $ 5,262 | $ 6,500 |
| 5180 · DEPREC. EXPENSE | $ 139,012 | $ 138,000 |
| Total 5200 · EMPLOYEE BENEFITS | $ 232,663 | $ 245,428 |
| 5275 · EQUIPMENT RENTAL | $ 4,331 | $ 4,500 |
| 5300 · FOOD EXPENSE | $ 22,284 | $ 25,000 |
| GRANT WRITING | $ 9,000 | $ 11,000 |
| Total 5325 · INSURANCE EXPENSE | $ 109,000 | $ 104,200 |
| 5350 · INTEREST EXPENSE | $ 130,247 | $ 92,000 |
| 5375 · LICENSES & PERMITS | $ 1,500 | $ 2,000 |
| 5425 · MISC. & LEGAL EXPENSE | $ 102,200 | $ 30,500 |
| 5450 · OFFICE EXPENSE | $ 4,436 | $ 5,000 |
| 5500 · PAYROLL EXPENSE | $ 773,416 | $ 748,675 |
| 5520 · PEST CONTROL | $ 3,000 | $ 5,000 |
| 5525 · POSTAGE EXPENSE | $ 6,415 | $ 15,000 |
| 5550 · PRINTING EXPENSE | $ 24,673 | $ 25,000 |
| 5575 · ACCOUNTING | $ 2,500 | $ - |
| 5580 · AUDIT EXPENSE | $ 18,500 | $ 19,000 |
| Total 5640 · RENT EXPENSE | $ 1,300 | $ 1,339 |
| 5675 · REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE | $ 25,000 | $ 50,000 |
| 5700 · SECURITY EXPENSE | $ 2,800 | $ 150,000 |
| 5705 · SMALL EQUIPMENT | $ 250 | $ 250 |
| 5715 · STAFF EDUCATION | $ 2,100 | $ 9,000 |
| 5725 · SUPPLIES | $ 52,667 | $ 53,000 |
| 5750 · TAXES | $ 225 | $ 232 |
| 5760 · TELEPHONE | $ 23,665 | $ 24,375 |
| 5770 · UTILITIES | $ 103,000 | $ 98,000 |
| Total Expense | $ 1,832,498 | $ 1,887,748 |
| Net Operating Income | $ 22 | $ 1,752 |

# Casa Esperanza Homeless Center
# Preliminary 2015-16 Budget
# Notes
# May 18, 2015

1. Revenues:
    a. Cottage Hospital $200,000, reflecting negotiated bed night rate increases.
    b. St Francis Foundation, $100,000 reflecting less available distributable funds
    c. City of Santa Barbara – Maintenance of $125,000 discretionary funding
    d. Other Foundations – Maintained at $250,000
    e. County of Santa Barbara
        i. Discretionary funding maintained at $120,000
        ii. Best Practices Employment services grant awarded - $80,000
        iii. ADMHS – increase in allocated beds from 15 to 20; increase in bed night reimbursement from $12.05 to $23.55; transfer of mental health worker to ADMHS
        iv. DSS grant $15,000; $45 per night; assume 1 bed
        v. Emergency Services Grant – increase in available overall funding
    f. Contributions – reduced by $71,000 to $378,000. Reflects loss of several large one time grants (Fe Bland, McCune) that will take time to replace.
2. Expenses
    a. Salary and Wages - $748,000; increased by full year Managing Director; addition of employment counselor supporting best practices grant; inclusion of additional staff for winter shelter not budgeted in FY 2014-15; inclusion of more Certified Nursing Assistant hours in support of Cottage contract. Security staff replaced by outside security service.
    b. Employee Benefits - $245,428 – Workers Comp cost increased 1.8%
    c. Repairs and Maintenance – Under budgeted in prior year. Reflects likely actual costs.
    d. Interest expense reflects lower refinanced mortgage interest rate.
    e. Misc. & Legal reflects lower one time legal and related expenses.
    f. Security costs $150,000 transferred to outside agency: cost savings approx. $40,000.

# Casa Esperanza Homeless Center

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June 1, 2015

Honorable Janet Wolf, Chair & Members of the Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Casa Esperanza – PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) Merger

Dear Chairperson Wolf and Supervisors:

We have been asked by staff to prepare for your review an update of the Casa Esperanza-PATH merger. We have previously briefed County staff and the Supervisors individually on the elements of the merger and provided detailed information about PATH. Objections to the merger have not been raised.

The merger will be effective July 1, 2015. New contracts with County departments are being issued in the name of PATH. The merger is subject to non-action by the California Attorney General and PATH must be approved by the County and City of Santa Barbara as operator of Casa Esperanza's programs.

PATH expects Casa Esperanza to be self-funding. If the County and City approve previously submitted requests for discretionary funding from General Funds in the amounts of $120,000 and $125,000, respectively, Casa will have a break even budget for fiscal 2015-16.

PATH has successfully housed thousands of homeless individuals in the past three years and has significant successful experience performing under Federal, City, County and State grant programs. PATH's track record and expertise will enhance Casa Esperanza's programs and capabilities to better serve the Santa Barbara community. The merged operation will be named PATH Santa Barbara, building upon PATH's success in the homeless services sector.

Local input to key operating and strategic decisions will be assured through governance. Three current or former Casa Board members will join PATH's Board, and an Advisory Committee, which will consist of the rest of Casa's Board members and other community representatives, will advise PATH on local operating matters.

We welcome the opportunity to answer any questions you may have, thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Jessica Wishan
Managing Director

Joseph Tumbler
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# Casa Esperanza

| Dept | FY 2011-12 | FY 2012-13 | FY 2013-14 | FY 2014-15 Budget * |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Department 022 -- Probation | $ - | $ - | $ 25,078 | $ 60,000 |
| Department 032 -- Sheriff | - | - | 27,679 | - |
| Department 041 -- Public Health | 31,868 | 14,712 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| Department 043 -- Alcohol, Drug, & Mental Hlth Svcs | 171,000 | 156,000 | 138,830 | 127,200 |
| Department 044 -- Social Services | 22,500 | 22,500 | 37,500 | 19,305 |
| Department 055 -- Housing/Community Development | 294,490 | 417,307 | 303,495 | 144,470 |
| Department 990 -- General County Programs | - | - | - | 120,000 |
| **Totals** | **$ 519,858** | **$ 610,519** | **$ 547,581** | **$ 485,975** |

- Merger set with People Assisting the Homeless (PATH); effective date June 30, 2015
- Moving to sustainable model with County, SB City, philanthropic organizations & grant funding
- Contracts for FY 2015-16 will be executed with PATH
- PATH attempting to diversify services to meet community needs

* Amounts per December 9, 2014, Board Letter: Casa Esperanza Homeless Center Funding & Agreements

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# LOS ALAMOS CEMETERY

4777 DRUM CANYON ROAD

Telephone: (805) 344-4441

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 702

Los Alamos, CA 93440

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Request
$50,000

May 22, 2015

Mona Miyasato, CEO
Attn: Jette Christiansson
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

caoemail@countyofsb.org

The Los Alamos Cemetery District is requesting funding in the amount of $50,000 in order to facilitate a land swap between the District and the adjacent landowner, Joe Carrari, and to place the land into service.

The funding will be used for permitting, county application fees, re-zoning, surveys, plot-mapping, road-work and landscaping.

The aforementioned land swap will benefit the community by increasing the capacity for gravesites, thereby increasing the longevity of the cemetery.

The land being swapped is rugged terrain unsuitable for gravesites. The land gained in the land swap is flat and suitable for gravesites. The total area in question is approximately 1 acre.

Respectfully,

Charlie Gonzales

Board President

Los Alamos Cemetery District

2015 MAY 26 PM 2:00

Economic Vitality Team of Santa Barbara County
A Division of: The Chamber of the Santa Barbara Region
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Request
$75,000

01 May 2015

Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer
County of Santa Barbara
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101-2065

**RE: Economic Vitality Team Funding for 2015/2016**

Mona:

On behalf of my collegues on the Economic Vitality Team (EVT) Board, I want to thank you for the County's support in 2014/2015 for the kickoff of this important new organization. Attached, please find a brief synopsis of the work we have completed so far during this start-up phase, work that would not have been possible without the assistance of the County of Santa Barbara.

As the County is looking at the coming fiscal year, the EVT would like to request that our partnership continue. This request is substantially less than the initial funding provided by the County, commensurate with the completion of the start-up of the EVT and all of the initial costs such a start-up entailed.

For the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year, the EVT would request funding from the County of Santa Barbara in the amount of $75,000. These funds will be used to further the Program of Work for the EVT, including the completion of an Economic Development Plan for the County. To provide information on the program to date, I am including the 1st Quarter Report on the activities of the EVT, Zoe Taylor's April report, the Board Roster for the EVT, as well as the Business Plan which the EVT Board has created to guide the work of the group.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Oplinger, ACE, President/CEO
The Chamber of Commerce of the Santa Barbara Region
*on behalf of the EVT*

Economic Vitality Team of Santa Barbara County
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TO: TERRI MAUS-NISICH

FROM: KEN OPLINGER, PRESIDENT/CEO
ZOE J. TAYLOR, DIRECTOR, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVT

SUBJECT: FIRST QUARTER REPORT 2015

DATE: APRIL 1, 2015

Please find attached the invoice for $37,500, in payment for the second quarter of 2015 for the Economic Vitality Team in compliance with the Chamber's contract with the County of Santa Barbara.

**REPORT:** January through March 2015

**Mission Statement**: The mission of the Economic Vitality Team of Santa Barbara County is to enhance the quality of life throughout Santa Barbara County by promoting economic vitality through generation of jobs, increased investment, business retention, expansion and attraction while promoting entrepreneurs.

The **EVT Business Plan** (see attachment) is ready for adoption by the EVT Board of Directors at their meeting in April. A task force to develop the EVT website will be convened in April.

The Chamber Board of Directors will receive the Plan at their March 23rd meeting.

**Meetings**: The meetings were fact finding meetings in preparation for final business plan development (Ken attending)

Supervisors:
Supervisor Wolf – January 28th
Supervisor Lavagnino – February 2nd
Supervisor Carbajal – February 9th
Supervisor Farr – February 13th
Supervisor Adam – February 19th

Chamber Partners

Buellton, Solvang and SB Vintners Assoc. – joint meeting – February 11th
Santa Maria – February 11th
Lompoc - Rescheduled
Goleta – February 20th
Carpinteria – February 19th

Collaborative Partnerships:

Small Business Development Center (SBDC) – Monthly meetings
Practitioners Economic Development Roundtable meeting – tentatively set for April
Commercial Real Estate Advisory Group – targeted for April meeting

Director Taylor has met with the following potential Funding Partners.

Funding Partners

Heritage Oaks Bank – February 10
Santa Maria Energy – February 23
Pacific Coast Energy – February 23
Montecito Bank & Trust – February 25
Aera Energy – March 10
American Riviera Bank – March 10
Pacific Western Bank – March 18
AT & T – March 25
U S Bank – March 25
Appointment requests have been sent to an additional seven potential funding partners

**Countywide Broadband Event -"Connecting the County with the World"** is set for **April 17** at the Santa Ynez Marriott in Buellton. This Santa Barbara County event is in partnership with the **Broadband Consortium, Pacific Coast** comprised of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties.

April 27, 2015

**TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**
**KEN OPLINGER**

**FROM: ZOE J TAYLOR**

**SUBJECT: EVT REPORT – April, 2015**

**Mission Statement (revisions in italics):** The mission of the Economic Vitality Team of Santa Barbara County is to enhance the quality of life throughout Santa Barbara County by promoting economic vitality through generation of jobs, increased ***capital*** investment, business retention, expansion and attraction while promoting ***and supporting*** entrepreneurs.

**Meetings**: The individual meeting with Dave Cross, Director of Economic Development of the Santa Maria Chamber's Economic Development Commission is being rescheduled. I will be attending the North County Economic Alliance board meeting at the end of April.

**EVT Board**: The board met on April 9th with 13 of the 17 board members present. The draft EVT Business Plan is being revised with their recommended changes. The mission statement was revised. (See above revisions) The plan will be presented at the May board meeting for adoption. That meeting will be held at the Lompoc Chamber offices. At that meeting, it is our intent to elect a chair and vice chair for the board. A members were asked to sign up for the website task force. This timeline has slipped into May.

**Funding Partners:** The following meetings have taken place or are scheduled

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| Heritage Oaks Bank – February 10 | Commitment Pending |
| Santa Maria Energy – February 23 | Changes of personnel has put this on hold for now |
| Pacific Coast Energy – February 23 | Follow-up in May |
| Montecito Bank & Trust & The Towbes Group | 2nd meeting set for 4/23 |
| Aera Energy – March 10 | Has made a $$ commitment |
| American Riviera Bank – March 10 | Follow-up in May (out of budget cycle) |
| Southern California Edison – March 17 | Grants thru 501 c 3's only |
| Pacific Western Bank – March 18 | Potential commitment (out of budget cycle) |
| Southern California Gas Co. – March 19 | Follow-up in May |
| A T & T – March 25 | Follow-up in May |
| U S Bank – March 25 | Does not fit they will be more involved in the chamber |
| The Bank of Santa Barbara | Meeting being rescheduled |

Emails have been sent to an additional 6 potential funding partners – appointments not confirmed. Additional follow-up will be initiated.

**Practitioners:**
Small Business Development Center (SBDC) – Monthly meetings
Practitioners Economic Development Roundtable meeting – tentatively set for May
Commercial Real Estate Advisory Group – targeted for May meeting

**Countywide Broadband Event:** This event was held Friday, April 17 at the Santa Ynez Valley Marriott. 60 pre-registered. 50 attended. County staff and representatives from each city/chamber in the county attended. The keynote speaker, David Daigle, Wilcon, is from the Los Angeles area. He presented the big picture of the need and opportunities for broadband in the future. A panel discussion of **mapping, policy & standards, and projects and grants** followed. Attendees signed up for the three task forces working in the three above areas. Evaluations gave us great input for the next steps.

The Tri-County Governance Committee met immediately following the broadband event with representatives and presentations from the CPUC. The Santa Barbara County Steering group needs to be finalized. The first meetings with the three task forces need to be calendared. Lompoc is the priority area in Santa Barbara County identified by the CPUC. I will be meeting with City & Chamber officials in the new future to determine feasibility.

**Miscellaneous:** I submitted my application to the Workforce Investment Board at the invitation of Ken and Ray McDonald. I would represent an economic development slot on the board.

I have submitted my application for the WACE Economic Essentials' scholarship. The workshop is in August at the same time as the WACE Academy.

# BUSINESS PLAN (revised 4-9-15)

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## Economic Vitality
## For
## Santa Barbara County

Attract, retain and expand business

Create new development opportunities

Create countywide engagement opportunities

Established in 2014, the Economic Vitality Team of Santa Barbara County is a division of The Chamber of the Santa Barbara Region. The chambers of commerce of Santa Maria, Lompoc, Buellton, Solvang, Goleta and Carpinteria, along with the County of Santa Barbara control the work of the EVT. The EVT is funded by a grant from the County of Santa Barbara and by contributions from private enterprise.

## Strategies for Success:

**Business Retention:**

Local Chambers to identify opportunities/challenges

- Promote business assistance programs
- Engage "Resource Team" for marketing strategies
- Engage "Red Team" if upon request
- Partner with the Workforce Investment Board and education to ensure a skilled workforce
- Partner with EVT to conduct executive and/or industry roundtables

EVT to provide support where needed with a focus primarily on all infrastructure issues that cross community lines and either are, or could become, obstacles to business staying and growing where they are.

**Business Expansion:**

Local Chambers to identify opportunities for business expansion to include but not limited by:

- Agriculture and related industries
- Building and Design
- Business Support Services
- Energy and Environment
- Healthcare
- Industrial/Manufacturing
- Retail
- Technology and Innovation
- Tourism/Visitor Services/Film Production

Partner with EVT to conduct executive and/or industry roundtables. EVT to provide support with a focus on infrastructure issues, a resource to link communities and collaborative partners as needed to:

- Identify location/relocation expansions areas
- Skilled workforce availability

**Business Recruitment:**

Engage chambers and collaborative partners to:

Identify opportunities to include but not limited by:

- Agriculture and related industries
- Building and Design
- Business Support Services
- Energy and Environment
- Healthcare
- Industrial/Manufacturing
- Retail
- Technology and Innovation
- Tourism/Visitor Services/Film Production

**Infrastructure:**

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**Broadband:** - In partnership with the Broadband Consortia, Pacific Coast develop strategies for success to connect the County with the world.

**Housing**: - Partner with workforce housing organizations and programs

**Transportation**: - Work in concert with collaborative partners to improve accessibility throughout the County

- Airports: - Maintain proactive partnerships
- 101 Corridor
- Rail Service
- Efficient/timely/affordable bus service
- Bike Trails

**Water**: - Support collaborative agencies in their efforts to ensure sufficient water to support business, agriculture and communities

**Marketing:**

Convene task force for:

- Website development
- Social Media marketing
- Trade Show marketing
- Media kit

**Collaborative Partners:**

Practitioners Economic Roundtable

- Confirm invitee list
- Convene first Roundtable

Commercial Real Estate Advisory Group

- Confirm invitee list
- Convene first discussion group

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#10

**Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center**

**Centro Contra la Violación Sexual**

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Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

June 2, 2015

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center (SBRCC) is thankful for the continuous support that the County of Santa Barbara and the Board of Supervisors extends. SBRCC has the opportunity to positively impact the high need community of Isla Vista through important sexual assault prevention services. We are hopeful that the county will support SBRCC's Sexual Assault Counseling and Education Program in Isla Vista (SACE IV). We request your assistance in funding this program through your budgetary process.

As you are aware, the Isla Vista community has been the scene of some high profile cases of sexual violence and violence against women in the recent months. UCSB students have received various resources; however, there is a larger community of people who live in Isla Vista who are not receiving any support services. SACE IV will target those individuals who are not connected to UCSB, such as, Santa Barbara City College students, monolingual Spanish speaking community members, and low income Latino families.

Sexual assault is a widespread problem. Research states that one in three women and one in six men will be sexually assaulted in their lifetimes. It is a traumatic experience that is not limited to any racial, religious or socioeconomic group. However, according to the Department of Justice, those with a low household income were twice as likely as the general population to be victims of a sexual assault. As outlined in the report on poverty commissioned by the County of Santa Barbara—the Snapshot of Poverty 2012—Isla Vista is identified as one of the four high poverty areas. The Isla Vista community would greatly benefit from SACE IV.

SBRCC is in need of $10,000 to support SACE IV. This program will provide support and psycho-education to sexual assault survivors in order to heal from the trauma of an assault. SACE IV will also provide rape prevention presentations that explore ways in which to support those who have been victimized and combat the harmful myths that contribute to a culture that tolerates sexual violence. The total cost of the program is $33,000; however, SBRCC has secured $10,000 of those funds from The Fund of Santa Barbara for each of the next three years.

SBRCC will collaborate with organizations in Isla Vista to address the unique needs of the community. The Isla Vista Teen Center and St. Mark's Church are among the organizations who have partnered with SBRCC in prior projects and who are committed to assist with this project by providing space for activities and aiding in the outreach of prospective participants.

We thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to your assistance in funding this program.

Elsa Granados

Elsa Granados
Executive Director

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#11

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June 3, 2015

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101

Mona Miyasato, CEO

Dear Chairperson Wolf and Members of the Board:

I am writing this letter to request a budget extension from the County of Santa Barbara for the CAC Healthy Senior Lunch Program. Healthy Senior Lunch prepares and delivers approximately 150,000 meals to 1,350 low-income Santa Barbara County senior citizens annually. Attached is a chart showing the countywide locations where meals are served.

Requested Amount
The amount requested is $75,000. This would contribute 50 cents per meal for one year of meals.

CAC Healthy Table
Approximately 300 seniors receive a meal in one of the twelve centers county-wide each day. The centers are listed in the attached material.

CAC Healthy at Home
Approximately 340 homebound seniors who are unable to shop and cook for themselves receive a hot meal delivered to their homes each week day. On Fridays two frozen meals are also delivered for the weekend.

Funding
The core funding for this program is from the Area Agency on Aging and covers approximately 60% of the costs. It is expected, as part of the funding formula, that the remainder of the funding will be raised through public and private sources and through donations from the seniors themselves.

We request a $3.00 donation per meal from the seniors we serve, but on the average receive 80 cents per meal. The seniors we serve are unlikely to ever fulfill their part of the original funding formula because CAC primarily serves seniors who are considered "extremely low income" according to HUD guidelines. Most of them live on less than $12,000 per year and are unable to contribute more.

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Attached is an unsolicited letter that we received about the importance of the Healthy at Home Program to Mr. Eddie Taylor's survival. In most cases, our driver is the only person that homebound seniors see all day.

Although CAC has operated this program and met the match requirements for over 40 years, there have been many changes in the availability of funding from private and public sources. Unfortunately, there has been a serious decline in Community Development Block Grant funding from cities and from the County of Santa Barbara's Human Services Commission Funding. There have also been changes in the criteria for this funding. Although we have increased our efforts to raise private funds, last year the program ended with a deficit of $165,000. We have found that private sources are not inclined to fund basic services and are more interested in "systems change" and transformational initiatives.

CAC has been actively involved in the development of the Food Action Plan and we have stressed the importance of addressing the issue of food security for low-income, disabled and homebound seniors in the plan.

The seniors we serve have managed their resources, raised families, coped with tragedy and crisis and struggled to maintain fruitful and independent lives. This program bolsters their ability to maintain their independence. Access to healthy daily meals helps to alleviate the difficulty of living on a limited fixed income and serves as a lifeline for those with physical disabilities. The Healthy Senior Lunch program provides a critical support for local seniors enabling them to age in place, in their own homes, for as long as possible.

By granting this request, the County of Santa Barbara will enable CAC to continue to provide this basic need to seniors countywide.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Fran Forman

Fran Forman, Executive Director
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c.c.-Mona Miyasato, CEO, County of Santa Barbara

#12

# Santa Ynez Valley Senior Citizens Foundation

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May 21, 2015

Mona Miyasato, CEO
Attn: Jette Christiansson
105 E. Anamapu Street, Room 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Request
$26,000

RE: Senior Nutrition Grant Request

Dear Ms. Miyasato and County Supervisors,

The Santa Ynez Valley Senior Citizens Foundation, DBA the Buellton Senior Center would like to thank the County for your past support. The Buellton Senior Center is seeking a $26,000 grant to provide 3,250 Meals on Wheels to Buellton area low-income seniors. Funds will pay for food and container purchases, direct kitchen staff time and fuel, which average $8.00 per delivered meal.

The Buellton Senior Center is the only Meals on Wheels provider in Buellton and the second largest distributor of food in the Santa Ynez Valley. We understand that the County has very difficult decisions to make in funding nonprofit organizations but we urge you to please consider our request. It is our understanding that the Buellton Senior Center was the only Meals on Wheels provider in the County not to receive funding in this year's Human Services grant pool. Our seniors need your help.

We raise half of our annual budget with our volunteer-run thrift shop in Buellton. The County generously began funding our Nutrition Program in 2011 when annual meals prepared where 19,285. Currently, we prepare and serve 23,853 meals annually and offer 3,500 bags of free groceries.

The people that we serve cannot afford our local assisted living facilities and are food insecure. By providing a daily meal and checking in on them, we are making it possible for them to remain in their homes and not receive additional government subsidies. Most of the seniors that we serve on our Meals on Wheels route live in the Buellton mobile home parks. Our meals provide 70% of seniors' daily dietary requirements.

75% of our Food Program users are low-income based on HUD's standards for Santa Barbara County and receive free meals. We require our scholarship clients to provide annual tax returns and complete an application. We offer the application in English and Spanish. The average income of our scholarship clients is $860/month.

The Buellton Senior Center would like to thank the County Supervisors for your past support and consideration. We would love for you to come by for lunch at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Pam Gnekow
Executive Director

Cc: Doreen Farr, County Supervisor, 3rd District

#13

# LOS OLIVOS BUSINESS ORGANIZATION

PO Box 280, Los Olivos, CA 93441

Request
$25,000

To: County Executive Office
Cc: Ms. Doreen Farr

Re: Outside Agency Funding Request

Date: May 26, 2015

Dear Ms. Miyasato,

The Los Olivos Business Organization (LOBO) requests $25,000 from the County for FY 2015/16 to help defray the costs to rent and maintain five port-a-potty style public restrooms (including 1 handicapped restroom) in downtown Los Olivos.

The restrooms serve a significant community need in the unincorporated Los Olivos area and along the stretch of public highways between Santa Maria and Santa Barbara. The restrooms are used by those visiting Los Olivos, and also on the many tour buses, bicycle tours and other visitors through the Valley. On the weekends, there have been lines of people to use the restrooms - hence the need to maintain five restrooms.

The restrooms are provided under a contract with MarBorg Industries. The total cost of the restrooms is approximately $50,000/year. LOBO has been able to collect approximately one-half of that amount through voluntary contributions by its members, but will soon need to remove those restrooms unless an additional $25,000 is provided by the County and/or another funding source.

While we remain hopeful that a community services district or other public entity will soon be formed to take on these services, until then we are asking that the County provide matching funds to continue this essential public health and safety function.

Thank you,

Tim Snider
LOBO President
(and Fess Parker Winery President)

# Letters of Support for County Funding, FY 2015-16

1. City of Santa Maria – Libraries
2. City of Goleta – Libraries
3. Montecito Association – P&D Work Program
4. County of Santa Barbara Agricultural Advisory Committee – UC Cooperative Extension
5. Families ACT – ADMHS Budget
6. City of Goleta – Libraries
7. Cath Webb – Homelessness
8. Marian & Marty Shapiro – Homelessness
9. Stephen McLaughlin – Homelessness
10. Social Venture Partners SB – Legal Aid Foundation/New Beginnings
11. (**NEW 6-5-15**) Associated Students UC Santa Barbara – Community Resource Deputy
12. (**NEW 6-5-15**) Isla Vista Community Network (IVCN) - Isla Vista Community Center
13. (**NEW 6-8-15**) Isla Vista Recreation & Park District – Community Resource Deputy
14. (**NEW 6-9-15**) Santa Barbara County Bar Assn – Legal Aid Foundation
15. (**NEW 6-9-15**) Ron Faas – Homelessness
16. (**NEW 6-9-15**) Janice Keller – Homelessness

#1

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CITY OF SANTA MARIA
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April 3, 2015

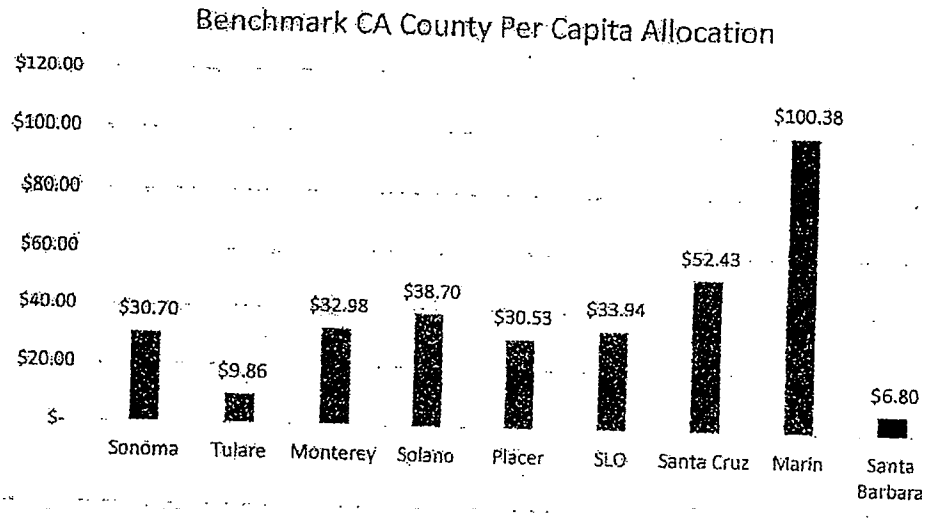
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara 93101

Dear Chair Lavagnino and Supervisors Adam, Carbajal, Farr, and Wolf,

Without increased funding for operations and staffing, Santa Barbara County Libraries face significant service level reductions. As community centers for the County's many cities and unincorporated areas, we are struggling to maintain open hours and popular programs. Increased minimum wages and COLAs negotiated in our jurisdictions have increased the cost of staffing county and city libraries yet our library budgets have decreased since the restoration of a previous 15% reduction (.92 per capita) granted in 2013-14.

In addition to staffing increases, some of our county libraries (Orcutt and Guadalupe) are located in privately owned rented space that continue to increase in cost each year when owners assess a CPI adjustment. Those increases combined with higher costs of goods and materials, utilities and other operational expenses have placed the libraries in a very vulnerable position. We have rich resources for the public, but do not have adequate funds to keep the doors open adequate hours for the public to access them.

The Santa Barbara County per capita allocation has been inadequate for many years and well below comparable benchmark counties for 2012-13 including Sonoma (30.67), Tulare (9.86), Monterey (32.98), Solano (38.70), Placer (30.53), SLO (33.94), Santa Cruz (52.43) and Marin (100.38). In 2012-13, Santa Barbara County (5.98) had the fourth lowest county or district library expenditure per capita after Lassen District ($4.16), Yuba County (4.31), and Madera County (5.92). The average of all benchmark counties for 2012-13 was $41.19 per capita. The average for all libraries in California for 2012-13 was $47.13 per capita and yet our county per capita currently stands at $6.87 for 2014-15. If the library fund is maintained status quo for 2015-16, the per capita will decrease to $6.80.




Please consider making libraries a higher priority and raising our allotment to at least half the amount of the benchmark counties. $20.30 per capita for 2015-16 would be a tremendous help. Even doubling the current allotment would be a move in the right direction for a vital public service that enriches lives, promotes literacy and benefits students, adults, seniors, and our workforce. The current allocation of $6.87 per capita for Santa Barbara County Libraries is not sustainable and will not support adequate service levels.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

M. Housel

Mary Housel
City Librarian Zone 3
Santa Maria

Jessica Cadiente

Jessica Cadiente
Library Director Zone 2
Lompoc

Irene Macias

Irene Macias
Library Director Zone 1
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#2

CITY OF GOLETA

April 6, 2015

CITY COUNCIL

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CITY MANAGER
Michelle Greene

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101

RE: Reduction in County Per Capita Library Funding
Notice of Opposition

Dear Chair Lavagnino and Supervisors Adam, Carbajal, Farr and Wolf:

The City of Goleta is opposed to the proposed County per capita library funding reduction from $6.87 to $6.80 per capita for Santa Barbara County Libraries unless alternative funding is identified. Without increased funding for operations and staffing, Santa Barbara County Libraries are unable to maintain adequate services levels.

For the Goleta Valley Library, current funding levels are inadequate to support operating costs and service levels and have been insufficient for years. Since 2009, hours of service have been cut from 67 per week to 55 per week. The collection volume is insufficient to meet demand. There is no replacement schedule for computers because there is no money to replace them. Nothing is being annually reserved for technology or capital improvements. The Library's reserve funds are dwindling because they are being used to fund annual operations. Staffing levels are lean and the number of part time to full-time equivalent staff positions is inherently inefficient. The City is concerned about having to reduce service levels in the future.

The Goleta Valley Library is a popular and well-used facility, serving residents of all ages within the City of Goleta and surrounding areas of the County. Unfortunately, this Library is not sustainable given the County per capita funding that it does receive. Please consider making libraries a higher priority and raising the per capita allocation rather than reducing the amount, or identifying an alternative funding source. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Paula Perotte

Paula Perotte
Mayor

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cc: Renee Bahl, Interim Community Services Dept. Director
Irene Macias, Library Director
Margaret Esther, Library Services Manager
Jim Farr, Mayor Pro Tempore
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Tim Giles, City Attorney

#3

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April 6, 2015

Janet Wolf, Chair
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Re: Proposed Planning and Development Work Program for 2015-2016, Board of Supervisors Agenda of April 8, 2015

Dear Chair Wolf and Supervisors:

We would like to offer several comments as you consider the P&D Work Program for the next fiscal year. We are pleased that work is beginning on the long awaited focused revisions to the Montecito Architectural Guidelines and the Montecito Land Use Development Code to improve hillside development outcomes. We support the inclusion of that project as a high priority ongoing project into the next fiscal year.

We would also like to convey our support for prioritizing a project focused on short-term vacation rentals. This use, though not expressly allowed in residential zone districts, has become very prevalent throughout the Montecito community. A number of years ago the County ceased enforcing ordinance language defining the use of a dwelling to exclude "transient occupancy"; thus when complaints arise, there is no remedy beyond filing a noise complaint with the sheriff. Additionally, the County is collecting transient occupancy tax from many short-term rental operators, further muddying the situation.

We would like to see a project that looks at the vacation rental issue included in the Short-Term Projects list with the hope it could be funded in the next year or two. As to scope, the project should consider the available range of regulatory options. The Montecito Association has conducted a survey of opinions on the issue and designated a subcommittee to explore options for addressing concerns related to the use. We would be happy to share what we learn with County staff and decision-makers.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,

Cindy Feinberg

Cindy Feinberg, President

#4

# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
## AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 6, 2015

Ms. Janet Wolf, Chair
County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors
123 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

RE: Funding for UC Cooperative Extension in 2015-2016 Budget

Dear Ms. Wolf,

At its meeting on April 1, 2015 the members of the County Agriculture Advisory Committee approved a motion to encourage a budget increase to support the work of University of California Cooperative Education (UCCE) and subsequently discussed that this increase should occur through a General Fund allocation and not through a reduction in funding for the Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

Santa Barbara farmers and ranchers are facing unprecedented challenges demanding further increases in the efficiencies of water, fertilizer, and pest management. UCCE can play an important role in providing this research and education.

According to information provided by UCCE, we understand that Santa Barbara County currently gives less support to UCCE than similar counties. Santa Barbara County most recently budgeted $153,000 to UCCE: that is a third of San Luis Obispo County's budget ($453,885), half of Ventura's ($334,000), a quarter of Monterey's ($532,000), a third of Napa's ($457,961), and a fifth of Sonoma's ($757,256).

We encourage Santa Barbara County to support current and future local research and education to preserve our agricultural industry and our resources.

Sincerely,

Claire Wineman

Claire Wineman, Chair

| Committee Members | Representing |
|---|---|
| Bradley Miles | 1st District Supervisor, Salud Carbajal |
| Ron Caird | 2nd District Supervisor, Janet Wolf |
| Sharyne Merritt | 3rd District Supervisor, Doreen Farr |
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| Ruth Jensen | 5th District Supervisor, Steve Lavagnino |
| Chrissy Allen | California Women for Agriculture |
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| Paul Van Leer | Santa Barbara County Farm Bureau |
| June Van Wingerden | Santa Barbara Flower & Nursery Growers' Association |
| Morgan McLaughlin | Santa Barbara Vintners |
| Willy Chamberlin | Santa Barbara County Cattlemen's Assn. |
| Jason Sharrett | California Strawberry Commission |

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#5

April 7, 2015

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
Chair Janet Wolf, Vice-Chair Peter Adam, Salud Carbajal, Doreen Farr, Steve Lavagnino,
Re: Alcohol Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS) Budget

Chair Wolf and Honorable Supervisors,

**Families ACT! urges you to honor Director Gleghorn's request for increased funding to restore services and meet the current and future crisis, rehabilitation, and long term recovery needs of ADMHS clients.**

While directly addressing the current crisis with incompetent to stand trial (IST) and inpatient services, the ADMHS budget also acknowledges the need for more step-down residential units combined with expanded and strengthened support services for long-term recovery.

The ADMHS budget calls for:

1. Developing strategies to expand safe and stable local housing options for complex needs clients and utilizing MHSA housing funds to create permanent housing units,
2. Creating a welcoming environment and enhanced services for clients with complex needs in a behavioral health system that integrates substance abuse and mental health services,
3. Collaborating with community based organizations in partnership with private sector service and housing providers, and
4. Co-responding with law enforcement in the field to collectively address those in crisis.

Families ACT! knows you share Director Gleghorn's concern that "General Fund support for ADMHS services compared to the majority of other counties in California reduces the department's ability to engage in responsible long term planning and implementation of cost-effective, high quality evidence-based practices."

Families ACT! and ADMHS leaders are witnessing how other counties are making investments that result in significantly reduced per-client expenditures, system-wide savings, and multi-million dollar increases in available funds for supportive housing.

With Alice Gleghorn's capable leadership, improved relations with community partners, and your support, Santa Barbara County can do that, too!

*Continued*

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**Families ACT! Background:**
Families ACT! aids and empowers individuals and families living with mental health and substance use disorders on the path to wellness and full recovery. Families ACT! advocates for effective, compassionate, and affordable treatment options and residential treatment centers as alternatives to incarceration.

Families ACT! has been working diligently with ADMHS staff through the Systems Change process to reveal gaps in the continuum of care, propose more cost-effective treatment alternatives, and end the revolving door of incarceration, hospitalization and homelessness.

Families ACT! will continue to work closely with the ADMHS team to fill serious gaps in the continuum of care, especially the need for supportive housing and licensed residential treatment.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Riordan
Executive Director

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CITY OF GOLETA

April 10, 2015

**CITY COUNCIL**

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**CITY MANAGER**
Michelle Greene

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101

RE: Increase in County Per Capita Library Funding

Dear Chair Wolf and Supervisors Adam, Carbajal, Farr and Lavagnino:

The City of Goleta asks that you consider an increase to $20.30 in County per capita library funding for FY 15-16. This amount represents approximately half of the average $41.19 per capita for the benchmark counties Santa Barbara uses for comparisons, or alternately, doubling the current per capita funding. Without increased funding for operations and staffing, Santa Barbara County Libraries are unable to maintain adequate services levels.

Libraries are an important asset to a community. The Goleta Valley Library serves residents of all ages within the City of Goleta and surrounding areas of the County. An increase in funding would help to maintain current service levels at this popular and well-used facility. Please consider making libraries a higher priority and raising the per capita allocation rather than reducing the amount. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Paula Perotte

Paula Perotte
Mayor

cc: Renee Bahl, Interim Community Services Dept. Director
Irene Macias, Library Director
Margaret Esther, Library Services Manager
Jim Farr, Mayor Pro Tempore
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Tim Giles, City Attorney

**Christiansson, Jette** #7

**From:** Van Wingerden, Cam
**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 8:57 AM
**To:** Miyasato, Mona; Christiansson, Jette
**Subject:** FW: Funding for Homeless Issues

**From:** Cath Webb [mailto:cathwebb2@gmail.com]
**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 3:50 AM
**To:** SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; CAO email
**Subject:** Funding for Homeless Issues

Dear Supervisors,

As a resident of Santa Barbara, I want to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness, as well as minimize the impacts of homelessness in Santa Barbara County. I hope you will fund Casa Esperanza, Common Ground Santa Barbara County, Safe Parking Program, the Emergency Jail Ride Program and increase funding for Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS) for crisis, rehabilitation, and long term housing and recovery for individuals with serious mental health care needs.

I donate time and money to help those suffering from homelessness and think that our County dollars would be well spent in helping the above organizations who do such good work.

Thanks for all you do for our County.

Sincerely,

Cath Webb
101 Mesa Lane,
Santa Barbara, CA 93109

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**Christiansson, Jette**

**From:** Van Wingerden, Cam
**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 8:58 AM
**To:** Miyasato, Mona; Christiansson, Jette
**Subject:** FW: Budget Hearings

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**From:** Marian Shapiro [mailto:marianshapiro@cox.net]
**Sent:** Saturday, May 30, 2015 6:09 PM
**To:** Schneider, H; ghart@santabarbaraca.gov; cmurillo@santabarbaraca.gov; rrowse@santabarbaraca.gov; DFrancisco@SantaBarbaraCA.gov; hwhite@santabarbaraca.gov; fhotchkiss@santabarbaraca.gov; Casey, P
**Cc:** SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; CAO email
**Subject:** Budget Hearings

Dear Elected Officials,

Thanks for all you do to make our city and county a better place to live! Few public decisions have a greater impact on people's lives than decisions about public budgets and spending. It is here that governments make fundamental choices about our values and priorities.

We want to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness, as well as minimize the impacts of homelessness in Santa Barbara County. I hope you will fund **Casa Esperanza**, **Common Ground Santa Barbara County**, **Safe Parking Program**, the **Emergency Jail Ride Program** and increase funding for **Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services** (ADMHS) for crisis, rehabilitation, and long term housing and recovery for individuals with serious mental health care needs.

Personally, those of us who teach know how much homelessness affects some of our students and want to do all we can to help those who are sadly affected. Although we may not be able to get to the budget hearings, we wanted you to know that we care about this.

Sincerely,

Marian & Marty Shapiro
968-0478

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## Christiansson, Jette

**From:** Van Wingerden, Cam
**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 8:59 AM
**To:** Miyasato, Mona; Christiansson, Jette
**Subject:** FW: Homelessness

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**From:** Steve McLaughlin [mailto:entersatori@yahoo.com]
**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 8:43 AM
**To:** SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; CAO email
**Subject:** Homelessness

Dear City Council Members,

I've lived in our fair city for 15 years and have gradually become conscious of the homeless people living in our midst. As a practical as well as moral matter I write to you urging with my citizenship to recognize the importance of making this area of concern a prime focus of your deliberations.
I want to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness, as well as minimize the impacts of homelessness in Santa Barbara County. I hope you will fund Casa Esperanza, Common Ground Santa Barbara County, Safe Parking Program, the Emergency Jail Ride Program and increase funding for Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS) for crisis, rehabilitation, and long term housing and recovery for individuals with serious mental health care needs.
So, please hear my desire on behalf of the homeless and we who live amongst them and act to the extent you can to represent my concerns.

Sincerely,

Stephen McLaughlin
(805) 453-3181

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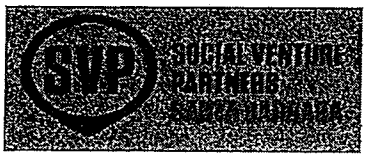


A Field of Interest Fund of the Santa Barbara Foundation

May 29, 2015

Mona Miyasato, CEO
Attn: Jette Christiansson
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Ms. Miyasato and Members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

This letter is submitted in support of the request for $40,000 in funding for Common Ground Santa Barbara County, a special project of the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County. Social Venture Partners Santa Barbara (SVPSB) works in close collaboration with Common Ground to promote the role of volunteers in doing street outreach and case work to house those who are the most vulnerable on our streets, and we support this request for focused street outreach. Recently SVPSB has invested in helping New Beginnings Counseling Center and we would also like to support their request for $10,000 for the Safe Parking Program.

These investments by Santa Barbara County are a step towards building sustainable and innovative solutions to homelessness. Several SVPSB Partners have volunteered their time and talent to work with the business community, C3H, Common Ground SB and several other non-profit service providers to supply resources and support services to those in need. Bringing nonprofit and government service agencies, the philanthropic community, and community volunteers together with the business community to address the impacts of homelessness is a collaborative approach that can be replicated throughout our county.

SVPSB has invested resources into the Milpas Pilot Project to house the chronically homeless and into the Landlord Liaison Project to help provide a safety net to landlords who agree to rent to those who have experienced homelessness. We encourage government agencies including the County to join us in funding focused street outreach to help leverage the support of individual and foundation contributions. Thank you for your consideration of the Common Ground and New Beginnings requests.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Langsdorf

Stephanie Langsdorf
Director of Operations

Cc: members of the Board of Supervisors

Social Venture Partners Santa Barbara
903 State Street #202
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
(805) 962-4787

Dear Country Board of Supervisors,

We the undersigned strongly support the contracting of Community Resource Officers/Deputies (CRO/D) by both the University of California Police Department (UCPD), and the Isla Vista Foot Patrol (IVFP).

Given the national climate surrounding policing and the tensions that this climate creates, there is a necessity for deputies whose sole purpose is community building within Isla Vista. The IVFP began the concept of a community policing in the 1970's. Since that time the exponential increase in Isla Vista's population, without a commensurate change in staffing, has made this endeavor nearly impossible. Both Lt. Mark Signa and Lt. Rob Plastino, of the UCPD and IVFP respectively, are in agreement that the workload is too great to assign existing officers/deputies to be fully devoted to community building.

The community policing efforts practiced during Deltopia undeniably yielded positive results. The acquisition of CRO/D's would ensure that these practices are integrated into the everyday policing of Isla Vista and UCSB. The acquisition of CRO/D's has been discussed as a solution to close the gap in the disconnect between law enforcement and community members for years. The City of Goleta contracted a CRD in 2013 and Isla Vista is in need of the same level of service. Given UCPD's current increase in funding and IVFP's ongoing staff restructure, we see a rare window of opportunity to convert discussion into action.

Some members of those undersigned met with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown on June 3rd, at 4pm. He concurs that a Community Resource Deputy is needed in Isla Vista. He stated that if the County Board of Supervisors allocates him an annual amount of $184,181, with the directive to appropriate this to a Community Resource Deputy, that as an elected official he must, and would wholeheartedly, follow this directive and establish a permanent CRO within the IVFP staff structure.

Given the circumstances and developments outlined above; we call on the UCPD Chief of Police Dustin Olsen and UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown, to appropriate and allocate the necessary funds to contract Community Resource Deputies for both the UCPD and IVFP.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Villareal
President
Associated Students University of California, Santa Barbara

Kimia Hashemian
Internal Vice President
Associated Students University of California, Santa Barbara

Mohsin Mirza
External Vice President for Statewide Affairs
Associated Students University of California, Santa Barbara

Paola Dela Cruz
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Isla Vista Youth Projects, Inc

Lisa Oglesby
Board President
on Behalf of the Isla Vista Food Co-op Board of Directors

Melissa Cohen
General Manager
Isla Vista Food Co-op

June 4, 2015

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I am writing on behalf of the Isla Vista Community Network (IVCN), Isla Vista's oldest continuously-meeting community group, established in 1996. Our membership includes nearly every stakeholder group in the Isla Vista community and represents decades of experience and institutional memory. **At our regularly scheduled meeting on June 4, 2015, IVCN participants unanimously endorsed a County funding request of $483,000 to rehabilitate the County of Santa Barbara property located at 976 Embarcadero del Mar to become part of the community center for Isla Vista.**

The mission of the IVCN is to foster and maintain a committed network of people and organizations that strive to improve and enhance the quality of life in Isla Vista. The participants build and strengthen relationships with one another, share information and resources, and initiate cooperative action in response to current and emerging needs in Isla Vista. Two years ago, our advocacy efforts played a major role in the County of Santa Barbara's successful bid to secure the former RDA Buildings, which include 970 Embarcadero Del Mar (clinic building), 976 Embarcadero Del Mar (church building) and 881 Embarcadero Del Mar (solar parking lot), for the purposes of developing a long-desired community center. We successfully lobbied the State Department of Finance to allow the County to retain these properties for community space.

Given our longstanding mission, we feel resolute in the potential for these properties. We have participated actively in the many meetings, surveys, and dialogues that have taken place to bring this project to light and life over the past years. The community center project has remained alive even through each annual change of residents transitioning through our community.

Isla Vista has experienced incredible illustrations of community-building efforts since the May 23, 2014, community tragedy. We continue to see the potential for a unified, safe and central place open to all community residents to share life's moments together. Our future Isla Vista Community Center is awaiting us—it promises to function as a central, accessible, neighborhood venue that will provide diverse programming and resources for the community.

The IVCN is keenly aware that the County works diligently to address the problems that impact the welfare of the Isla Vista community. We respectfully ask your support to help us get this project started by approving the $483,000 needed to rehabilitate the 976 Embarcadero Del Mar building. As members of the IVCN, we will do our best to help the community build this community center, one we have been dreaming of for over four decades.

Sincerely,

*Melissa Ilana Cohen*

Melissa Ilana Cohen
Interim Chair, Isla Vista Community Network

# Our Isla Vista Community Network Representatives:

Rodney Gould
*Chair, IV Community Network*
*General Manager*
*Isla Vista Recreation and Parks District*

Paola del la Cruz
*External Vice President of Local Affairs,*
*UCSB Associated Students*

John Doyel
*Program Manager, Alcohol & Drug Program*
*County of Santa Barbara, ADMHS*

Rob Plastino
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Annie Aziz
*Recreation Supervisor*
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*Assistant Director*
*YMCA's Isla Vista Teen Center*

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*Isla Vista Community Advisor*
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***"MORE THAN JUST PARKS"***

Santa Barbara County
Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu St., 4th floor
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Board of Supervisors,

At a recent Board meeting of the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District (IVRPD), the Board unanimously agreed to support the community effort of requesting the County provide funding for a Community Resource Deputy (CRD) to be assigned to the Isla Vista Foot Patrol (IVFP). It is our belief that a CRD could significantly diminish the tense relationships that exist between law enforcement and some entities of the community,

Given the national climate surrounding policing and the tensions that this climate creates, there is a necessity for a Deputy (please note that a similar request is being made of UCSB as the needs are great) whose sole purpose is community building within Isla Vista. The IVFP was formed on the concept of community policing in the 1970's. Since that time the exponential increase in Isla Vista's population, without a commensurate increase in staffing has made this endeavor nearly impossible. Over the years, the climate in IV has deteriorated and residents are more vulnerable than ever.

The community policing efforts practiced during Deltopia undeniably yielded positive results. The acquisition of a CRD would help to ensure that these practices are integrated into the everyday policing of Isla Vista. Both Lt. Mark Signa of UCSB Police Department and Lt. Rob Plastino, of IVFP see the benefit, but are in agreement that the workload is too great to assign existing officers/deputies to be fully devoted to community building.

The acquisition of CRD has been discussed as a solution to close the gap in the disconnect between law enforcement and community members for years. With the current momentum, we see a rare window of opportunity to convert discussion to action and yield permanent change. It is or hope that you join us in our mission to make the parks and streets of Isla Vista a safer place for all residents and visitors alike.

Sincerely,

Alex Rodriguez
Board Chair
Isla Vista Recreation and Park district

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Santa Barbara County Bar Association
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101

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Fax 805.569.2888
www.sblaw.org

June 5, 2015

Mona Miyasato
Chief Executive Officer, County of Santa Barbara
cao@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

Re: **Santa Barbara County Bar Association Letter of Support for the Legal Aid Foundation's Request for Supplemental Funds**

Dear Ms. Miyasato:

I am writing on behalf of the Legislative Committee of the Santa Barbara County Bar Association. Our century old Bar Association includes a membership of over 600 attorneys, judges, legal administrators, paralegals, law students and other professionals in Santa Barbara County. Our mission includes working to promote equal access to justice for those in our community.

Last year, we had the opportunity to meet with several of the County Supervisors to communicate our support for the Legal Aid Foundation and the work it does to ensure access to justice for those most in need in our community.

County funding is urgently needed this year to ensure that everyone in our community has equal access to justice. For this reason, we are writing to request the County's support and approve the supplemental funding request by the Legal Aid Foundation dated May 8, 2015. The request seeks funds for two programs: the Family Violence Prevention Program and Common Ground Santa Barbara County. We strongly support both programs. The Family Violence Prevention Program provides services county-wide to victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, and elder abuse and neglect. Common Ground Santa Barbara County works to obtain housing, benefits, and legal assistance for individuals living on the streets and in shelters. These programs not only benefit those with the greatest need in our community but benefit all Santa Barbara County residents.

We urge the County to support Legal Aid's request for funds for these critical programs.

Very truly yours,

Robert Forouzandeh, Santa Barbara County Bar Association Board Member and 2015 Legislative Committee Chair

**Christiansson, Jette**

**From:** Van Wingerden, Cam
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2015 10:43 AM
**To:** Miyasato, Mona; Christiansson, Jette; Alvarez, Tom
**Subject:** FW: Please Fund Homeless Reduction Programs

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**From:** RON FAAS [mailto:faas@verizon.net]
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2015 10:29 AM
**To:** SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve
**Cc:** CAO email
**Subject:** Please Fund Homeless Reduction Programs

Dear Supervisors Adam, Lavagnino, Farr, Wolf & Carbajal,

To help reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness, as well as minimize the impacts of homelessness in Santa Barbara County, I hope you will fund:

- The $120,000 request by Casa Esperanza for shelter operations;
- The $40,000 request by Common Ground Santa Barbara County for housing focused street outreach for people experiencing homelessness;
- The $10,000 request by New Beginnings for the Safe Parking Program;
- The request for $10,000 by the Committee for Social Justice for the ; and.
- and the request for increased funding for Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS) to restore services and meet the current and future crisis, rehabilitation, and long term housing and recovery for people with serious mental health care needs, including the CLUE & Families Act! Request for $500,000 for a Feasibility Study and Predevelopment Work for Residential Treatment Beds and Permanent Supportive Housing.

On a typical day while shopping in the Trader Joe's & Costco area in Santa Maria, I see homeless people with signs at most of these five locations: the Stowell entrance, Columbia Dr & S Bradley Rd, E Betteravia & S College,E Betteravia & S Bradley Rd, & E Betteravia exit off US 101 N. They appear to be in desperate need.

Sincerely,

Ron Faas, 1650 E. Clark Ave. #248, Santa Maria, CA 93455

Ronald C. Faas

## Christiansson, Jette

**From:** Van Wingerden, Cam
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2015 1:04 PM
**To:** Miyasato, Mona; Christiansson, Jette; Alvarez, Tom
**Subject:** FW: The Budget

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**From:** Janice Keller [mailto:jkeller2002@msn.com]
**Sent:** Monday, June 08, 2015 12:42 PM
**To:** Adam, Peter
**Cc:** SupervisorCarbajal; Wolf, Janet; Farr, Doreen; Lavagnino, Steve; CAO email
**Subject:** The Budget

Dear Supervisor Adam and other members of the Board of Supervisors,

As a Fourth District resident, former Legal Aid Attorney for the northern portion of Santa Barbara County and retired Deputy Public Defender, I know that the economically disadvantaged, especially the people experiencing homelessness and individuals with mental health needs, need assistance. In the proposed budget which you will be reviewing this week, there are several requests for funding which are designed to reduce the number of homeless children, women and men, to minimize the impacts of homelessness in the County and to assist those with mental health needs.

I am writing you in hopes that you will fund Common Ground Santa Barbara County, the Emergency Jail Ride Program, Casa Esperanza and the Safe Parking Program. Also, please increase the funding for ADMHS which is intended to aid crisis, rehabilitation, long term housing and recovery needs for individuals with serious mental health issues.

Feel free to contact me at jkeller2002@msn.com should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Janice Keller