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Stanislaus County 2023 Adopted Budget Released

Stanislaus County, CA, September 8, 2022- The Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office has released the 2023 Adopted Budget, pending the Board of Supervisors' approval. The recommended budget will serve as the definitive plan for Year One of the budget period ending on June 30, 2024.

For years, Stanislaus County has successfully maintained a critical balance between fiscal strength and community benefit. This budget supports the plan to leverage the significant financial strength of Stanislaus County to invest in the County's infrastructure as introduced at the Proposed Budget Presentation to the Board of Supervisors in June 2022. As stated by Stanislaus County Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Jody Hayes, "It brings our conceptualized plan to life through the implementation of a strategy to support public services like parks, libraries, and sidewalks which directly contribute to the local quality of life."

A key strategy of the Adopted Budget establishes \$16.5 million for year one of a three-year plan to leverage the County General Fund to support three fundamental areas through the Building Community Services Investment initiative focused on enhancing parks, libraries, and County facilities. This financial plan also includes \$15 million to initiate the Building Community Infrastructure Fund supporting supervisorial district projects to benefit local communities, investing taxpayer funds where they are needed most.

Stanislaus County will also assume the fiscal impact associated with the implementation of the recently approved Employee Recruitment and Retention Strategy. According to CEO Hayes,

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this “includes targeted strategies to address growing vacancy rates which threaten our ability to deliver critical mandated services to the community.”

The 2023 Adopted Budget also includes the projected 2024 Spending Plan; this will serve as the preliminary base budget for Year Two of this budget period. The 2024 Spending Plan accommodates anticipated needs of the County with the removal of one-time expenditures identified in Year One and factors in modest cost-of-living increases to costs and revenue.

“This is an exciting time to serve as your Chief Executive Officer; I am incredibly grateful for the strong fiscal management of our organization and the dedication of our County Departments that have made this possible,” states CEO Hayes.

In the 2023 Adopted Budget, you will notice the Board of Supervisors’ priorities have been updated. In keeping with the simplified, and easy to recall mission, “We Build Community,” the updated priorities are *Supporting a Strong and Safe Community, Supporting a Healthy Community, Developing a High-Performing Economy, Promoting Lifelong Learning, Delivering Efficient Public Services, and Enhancing Community Infrastructure.*

The 2023 Adopted Budget will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and approval in a public hearing at the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors’ meeting beginning at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 20, 2022. The 2023 Adopted Budget is available for public review on the County’s website at www.stancounty.com/budget and a hard copy will be available for viewing in the Clerk of the Board’s Office on the sixth floor of Tenth Street Place in Modesto.

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