

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # B-9

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE August 24, 2010

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Accept the Fourth Annual Report on the Board of Supervisors Priority Team Outcomes for Effective Partnerships

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Accept the fourth annual report on the Board of Supervisors priority team outcomes for Effective Partnerships.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The stated Board priorities identify seven core areas of focus; A Safe Community, A Healthy Community, A Strong Local Economy, Effective Partnerships, A Strong Agricultural Economy/Heritage, A Well Planned Infrastructure System and The Efficient Delivery of Public Services. These priorities guide all fiscal planning and budgetary preparation. The Board priorities impact the focus and priority work and influence our fiscal approach, providing an important framework for continued process improvements and the strategic use of limited resources.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2010-532

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, DeMartini, and Vice-Chairman Monteith

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Chairman Grover

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

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DISCUSSION:

Background

Stanislaus County has adopted the vision "to be the Best County in America". To assist in achieving that vision, in 2005 the County Board of Supervisors defined seven priority areas of focus. These seven Board priorities serve as the foundation for operational and strategic planning for the organization. To ensure implementation, each Board priority has a team of department heads and representatives that work together to develop goals, measures and expected outcomes for that priority. Each team is responsible for monitoring results and reporting those results annually to the Board of Supervisors.

The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors is committed to building strong relationships with local, regional and Federal partners. Stanislaus County departments have found innovative ways to utilize partnerships to leverage resources and provide the best service possible to the community we serve. To ensure these partnerships provide value to Stanislaus County, departments continually evaluate these partnerships to ensure that the resources dedicated to them support organizational priorities and provide valuable results for our residents.

The primary focus of this priority team is the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors' Effective Partnership Recognition Award. County departments were invited to submit applications detailing their most successful partnerships. A committee comprised of Supervisor Dick Monteith; Judith Ray, City of Modesto; Jeff Reed, Keyes Municipal Advisory Council; Gary McKinsey, Business Community Member; and Curtis Grant, Community Member was selected to evaluate the applications and choose the winning partnerships. Six departments submitted applications and two were chosen to receive recognition; the **Stanislaus County Employee Mentor Program** submitted by the Chief Executive Office – Economic Development and the **Stanislaus County Food Processing By-Product Use Program** submitted by the Department of Environmental Resources.

The **Stanislaus County Employee Mentor Program** is an outstanding example of an innovative and sustainable partnership. It's been said that "a lot of people have gone further than they thought they could because someone else thought they could."

Mentoring benefits children who are struggling in school by helping them to gain self-esteem, improving communication and reading skills, encouraging them to take risks and create goals, and providing one on one adult support and role-modeling. The commitment of Stanislaus County employees along with the education and private sectors and other community organizations is truly evident

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in the outcomes of this mentoring program. Now in its 12th consecutive year, the Employee Mentor Program has recorded over 16,000 hours of mentor time with over 400 employees who work with students on their own time.

The young students who are mentored receive far more than assistance with their school work; they are given a glimpse of their potential through the eyes of their mentor. In the words of one employee mentor, "when we open the door of hope for our children, they begin to see that anything is possible."

The Stanislaus County Food Processing By-Product Use Program was chosen to receive the second *Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors' Effective Partnership Awards* for 2009-2010.

This innovative program has effectively protected our environment for more than 30 years while facilitating the reuse of a valuable agricultural commodity. The strong collaboration between the Department of Environmental Resources, the agricultural community, local and state agencies, private industry, by-product haulers, and local site operators has ensured the success of this valuable program.

The only formal program of its kind in the State of California, this program has proven itself to be an outstanding example of collaboration and a common sense approach to protecting the ground and surface waters of California. As the world aggressively seeks solutions to deal with agricultural by-products and the conservation of existing resources, the Department of Environmental Resources has taken the lead and been proactive in this arena for the past thirty years

POLICY ISSUES:

The Board of Supervisors' priorities establish the future direction for Stanislaus County. Approval of this report of the goals and outcomes for this priority provides a focused direction for County departments and staff in support of the Board of Supervisors' directives.

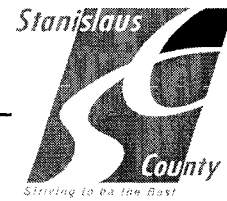
STAFFING IMPACT:

The work required to implement the goals and measures associated with the Board priorities is absorbed by existing staff.

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In order to view the video that was presented with this item, click on this link:
<http://www.stancounty.com/bos/video/08-24-2010.htm> .
When the video page opens, click on "Advance to" and select "Priority Team Effective partnerships Outcome".



GOALS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

BOARD PRIORITY

The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors is committed to providing excellent community services and we charge the organization to effectively manage public resources, encourage innovation and continuously improve business efficiencies.

In collaboration with public and private partnerships we strive for:

Effective partnerships

PRIORITY TEAM

- Auditor Controller
- Chief Executive Office – Emergency Services
- Child Support Services
- Community Services Agency
- Department of Environmental Resources
- Library

GOAL 1

Explore, identify and evaluate opportunities for effective partnerships

EXPECTED OUTCOMES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010	ACTUAL OUTCOMES ACHIEVED FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010
All departments will explore new opportunities to collaborate;	All departments continue to explore new opportunities to collaborate;
Agenda items establishing new partnerships will align with Board priorities in the policy issue section of the agenda;	Completed; agenda items establishing new partnerships align with Board priorities in the policy issue section of the agenda;
All departments will evaluate existing partnerships and update the partnership database annually; and	In reviewing the process, the priority team determined that while some departments found value in the database, other departments did not. Therefore, all departments are no longer required to update partnership data annually; and
Agenda items highlighting existing partnerships will align with Board priorities in the policy issue section of the agenda and include partnership outcome data in the narrative of the agenda.	Agenda items highlighting existing partnerships align with Board priorities in the policy issue section of the agenda and include partnership outcome data in the narrative of the agenda.

GOAL 2

Recognize and promote the value of partnerships to the community

EXPECTED OUTCOMES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010	ACTUAL OUTCOMES ACHIEVED FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010
<p>A strategy will be in place to promote and communicate new and existing partnerships to the community, including utilizing GOVTV to highlight County partnerships.</p>	<p>The Stanislaus County Effective Partnership Recognition is presented at a Board of Supervisors meeting annually to highlight outstanding partnerships;</p>
<p>The Effective Partnership team will provide an annual update at one department head meeting. Discussion to include; recognition award schedule, overview of database training, and departmental database contact list information;</p>	<p>The Effective Partnership team provided an annual update at one department head meeting and included discussion of the recognition award schedule, overview of database training, and departmental database contact list information. An update was also provided to department heads and Board members at the Board of Supervisors annual retreat in February;</p>
<p>An annual recognition event highlighting exceptional partnerships will be conducted before the Board of Supervisors; and</p>	<p>The second annual recognition event highlighting exceptional partnerships was conducted before the Board of Supervisors on August 24, 2010; and</p>
<p>The partnerships awarded the annual Recognition Award will be highlighted in the final budget.</p>	<p>The partnerships awarded the annual Recognition Award will be highlighted in the final budget document. This provides another method to communicate to the public the innovative and successful collaboratives County departments participate in.</p>