

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

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # \*A-4

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE December 17, 2013

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Proclaim the Month of January 2014 as Mentor Awareness Month in Stanislaus County consistent with the National Distinction

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Proclaim the month of January 2014 as Mentor Awareness month in Stanislaus County, consistent with the national Mentor month distinction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this proclamation request.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2013-614

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

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Withrow, Monteith, De Martini and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

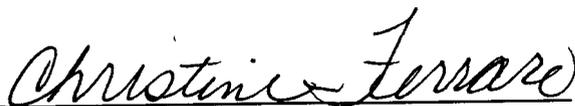
1)  Approved as recommended

2)  Denied

3)  Approved as amended

4)  Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST:

CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

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**DISCUSSION:**

The Employee Mentor Program was developed with input from many key participant departments including the Sheriff's Department, Juvenile Probation, Community Services Agency, and community based organizations including the Volunteer Center of United Way and the former Stanislaus Mentor Network.

The program was initially approved as a pilot on September 29, 1998 becoming a program on January 1, 1999. Now celebrating the completion of year fifteen, the program continues to attract County employees and partner agencies/organizations who wish to give back and become involved in the lives of young people in our Stanislaus communities.

National Mentoring Month is a campaign held each January to promote youth mentoring in the United States. National Mentoring Month highlights mentoring and the positive impact it can have on young lives. The 2014 National Mentor Month theme is "Mentoring Works!" This month-long outreach campaign focuses national attention on the need for mentors, as well as how each of us - individuals, businesses, governmental agencies, schools, faith communities and nonprofits - can work together to increase the number of mentors and assure brighter futures for our young people.

**POLICY ISSUE:**

Proclaiming January 2014 as Mentor Awareness Month in Stanislaus County supports the Board's priorities of A Healthy Community and Effective Partnerships by partnering with local organizations to provide positive role model experiences for our Community's younger generation.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

Actual mentoring activities are done on personal, non-county, lunch hour time.

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**PROCLAMATION  
STANISLAUS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2014 AS MENTOR APPRECIATION MONTH IN  
STANISLAUS COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, January 2014 has been proclaimed as National Mentoring Month;  
and,

**WHEREAS**, we all remember, when growing up, an adult who had a positive and powerful influence on our emotional and intellectual development, and

**WHEREAS**, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors, in 1998, initiated the Employee Mentor Program as the cornerstone of Stanislaus County's commitment to organizational citizenship; and

**WHEREAS**, The Stanislaus County Employee Mentor Program continues to thrive through its partnerships with community based organizations, service clubs, Stanislaus Office of Education (SCOE), and private business sector, having exceed the 22,000 total mentor hour mark through calendar year 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stanislaus County Employee Mentor Program is now entering its 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year signifying a powerful commitment to sustainability by our elected leadership, department heads, community partners and our employees; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring is a recognized strategy with youth to improve school attendance, academic performance, middle school transitions and high school graduation rates; and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring is a recognized strategy with youth to avoid alcohol, tobacco and drug use/abuse, deter teen pregnancy, avoid joining gangs and to make quality life choices: and

**WHEREAS**, mentoring is a cross-cutting strategy to promote self-confidence, personal skills and positive youth development,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, does hereby proclaim January 2014 as **Mentoring Month** in Stanislaus County and encourages all adults to become positive and powerful role models for the youth of Stanislaus County.