

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

DEPT: CEO-Office of Emergency Services

BOARD AGENDA # *B-3

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AGENDA DATE August 11, 2015

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval to Apply for the Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the Chief Executive Office - Office of Emergency Services to apply for funds available through the Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program.
2. Adopt the attached Governing Body Resolution authorizing participation in the 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program.
3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Governing Body Resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant (FY15) is the fourteenth in a series of terrorism grants available to local government. There is no impact to the general fund associated with this grant.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2015-370

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor DeMartini
and approved by the following vote,

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

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:


CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

The Fiscal Year 2015 (FY15) Homeland Security Grant is the fourteenth in a series of grants from the federal Department of Homeland Security and administered by the State of California. The Stanislaus Operational Area (OA) has successfully applied for funds since Fiscal Year 2003. The Board of Supervisors has approved the County's application and acceptance of the previous Homeland Security Grants.

We have received notification that the FY15 application will be due by the end of August 2015; however at this time, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) has not released the funding allocations for the Operational Areas. In the application notification, CalOES noted that they do not anticipate a significant fluctuation from the Fiscal Year 2014 award of \$612,439.

The purpose of the federally funded FY15 Homeland Security Grant Program is to support state and local efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the Nation. FY15 supports a whole community approach to emergency preparedness to build, sustain and deliver core capabilities that achieve a secure and resilient nation which prepares for, responds to and recovers from complex and far-reaching hazards. The grant provides funding for equipment, planning, training, exercises, management and administration to support and sustain these core competencies.

The Governor's Office of Emergency Services requires that the Approval Authority Body, consisting of the County Public Health Officer, County Fire Chief, Municipal Fire Chief, County Sheriff and City Police Chief, has final approval of the application for the Homeland Security Grant. The Approval Authority Body will review and approve the application prior to its submittal to the State.

The Stanislaus Operational Area is the eligible applicant for the FY15 Homeland Security Grant. The Board is requested to authorize the Operational Area to apply for the grant and approve the Governing Body Resolution that must be submitted with the grant application. The Governing Body Resolution identifies the authorized agents to execute any actions necessary on behalf of Stanislaus County for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the federal Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California CalOES. The authorized agents identified by position for Stanislaus County are: Director of Emergency Services, Stan Risen; Assistant Director of Emergency Services, Dale Skiles and Program Manager, Francine Gutierrez.

Once Stanislaus County's application is approved by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, staff will return to the Board for approval to accept the grant award.

POLICY ISSUES:

This grant supports the Board's priorities of A Safe Community, A Healthy Community and Effective Partnerships by ensuring local and regional disaster preparedness.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact associated with this item, as existing staff will administer the grant.

CONTACT PERSON:

Dale Skiles, Assistant Director of Emergency Services, 552-3600

GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Supervisors
(Governing Body)

OF THE Stanislaus County THAT
(Name of Applicant)

Director of Emergency Services OR
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

Assistant Director of Emergency Services OR
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

Program Manager of Emergency Services ,
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the named applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the federal Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California.

Passed and approved this 11th day of August, 2015

Certification

I, Terrance Withrow, duly appointed and
(Name)

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
(Title) (Governing Body)

do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus on the 11th day of August, 2015
(Governing body) (Name of Applicant)



Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
(Official Position)
[Signature]
(Signature)

August 11, 2015
(Date)