

October 4, 2016

Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, CA 93009

**SUBJECT: Ratification of, Approval of, and Authorization for the Ventura County Behavioral Health Department (VCBH) to Apply for an Alcohol and Drug Program (ADP) Prevention Services Grant with the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) in the Amount of \$250,000, Effective October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017; Approval of and Authorization for the VCBH Director to Accept the OTS Grant; Approval of and Authorization for the Human Resources Director to Extend for an Additional Year, the 1.0 FTE Fixed-Term Program Administrator I Position in the ADP Prevention Services Budget Unit 3220-3223, Effective October 9, 2016; and Approval of and Authorization for the Auditor-Controller to Process the Budgetary Transactions Necessary to Revise Appropriations and Revenue in the VCBH ADP Prevention Services Budget Unit 3220-3223. REQUIRES 4/5THS VOTE on Recommendation 4.**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Ratification of, approval of, and authorization for VCBH to apply for an ADP Prevention Services Grant with OTS (Exhibit 1) in the amount of \$250,000, effective October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017.
2. Approval of and authorization for the VCBH Director to accept the OTS grant.
3. Approval of and authorization for the Human Resources Director to extend for an additional year the 1.0 FTE fixed-term Program Administrator I position in ADP Prevention Services Budget Unit 3220-3223, effective October 9, 2016.

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Job Code	Description	Business Unit	Dept. (Org)	FTE	Compensation Frequency	Annual Salary Range
00622	Program Administrator I (1 year fixed – term)	HCAVC	3223	1.0	Biweekly	\$56,617.17-\$79,271.80

4. Approval of and authorization for the Auditor-Controller to process the budgetary transactions necessary to revise the following accounting appropriations and revenue (this recommendation requires 4/5ths vote):

Budget Unit 3223: ADP Prevention Services

INCREASE	Salaries and Benefits	\$77,550
INCREASE	Services and Supplies	\$109,950
INCREASE	Intergovernmental Revenue	\$187,500

#### REASON FOR RATIFICATION:

Due to the time frame in developing the grant project and the deadline for grant application submittal, VCBH did not have sufficient time to submit the request for approval of the grant application submittal to the Board. Therefore, approval from the County Executive's Office was obtained to submit the application prior to the Board's approval.

#### FISCAL/MANDATES IMPACT:

##### **ADP BU #3220-3223 (Prevention Services)**

Mandatory: No [X] Yes [ ] Cite Authority:

Source of Funding: California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), Federal Grant pass through (CFDA #20.616)

Funding Match Required: No

Impact on Other Department(s): None

	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
Summary of Revenue and Total Costs		
Revenue:	\$187,500	\$62,500
Costs:		
Direct Cost	\$187,500	\$62,500
Indirect - Dept.	\$0	\$0
Total Costs	\$187,500	\$62,500
Net County Costs	\$0	\$0
Recovered Indirect Cost:	\$0	\$0

FY 2016-2017 Adopted Budget for ADP Prevention Services BU# 3223				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actual	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$2,230,027	\$2,230,027	\$2,230,027	\$0
Revenue	\$2,230,027	\$2,230,027	\$2,230,027	\$0
Net Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Note: Recommendation #4 will add the appropriations needed for this program and will be funded by the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), Federal Grant pass through (CFDA #20.616).

## **DISCUSSION:**

### **Recommendations #1 and #2:**

Drug-impaired driving is a reality and a threat to public safety. This trend is seen nationally and locally, as Ventura County has an increasing number of arrests for driving under the influence (DUI) of drugs or in combination with alcohol. According to a 2014 study, almost 55% of drivers who tested positive for marijuana also had alcohol in their systems. Research shows that teens and adolescents are susceptible and are at a higher risk of using marijuana, alcohol and intoxicating substances. Over 35% of 12<sup>th</sup> grade students nationally used marijuana in the past year, and marijuana and alcohol are used at nearly the same rate. Young adults (ages 18-24) in Ventura County's DUI program represent 24% of the programs participants. In a 2014 Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) study of 18-24 year olds, 20.3% said they had used marijuana, 43.9% of males had driven after their use and 51% of males had ridden as a passenger after the driver had smoked.

On October 7, 2014, your Board approved the acceptance of the first drug-impaired driving OTS grant, "Risks & Realities", in the amount of \$162,000 for one year. The grant process is annual and competitive. On October 6, 2015, your Board approved and accepted the second drug-impaired driving OTS grant, "Call to Action", in the amount of \$299,677 for one year. VCBH submitted another OTS grant application in January 2016 for drug-impaired driving, the "Manejando Claramente" or "Driving Clearly" campaign, and was awarded \$250,000 for one year. We are before your Board today with the "Driving Clearly" campaign that will focus on teens and younger adults to change perceptions and dispel myths around driving under the influence of marijuana.

Key strategies of the "Driving Clearly" campaign include: 1) collaborating with traffic safety partners and law enforcement agencies for DUI driver license checkpoint materials; 2) promoting the idea of "communal responsibility" to prevent impaired driving through collaboration with community groups, traffic safety partners, and law enforcement; 3) increasing the understanding of marijuana impairment and the combination of marijuana and alcohol impairment while driving, especially in

underserved communities; 4) conducting a culturally appropriate media campaign that includes the use of video, audio, print, and web-based media; 5) working with community groups to promote ground-level outreach to ensure the message of impaired driving is absorbed and understood, and 6) educating on-site alcohol retailers on the impairing effects of marijuana and alcohol combinations and the consequences of a DUI.

VCBH recommends ratification, approval, and authorization for VCBH to apply for, and approval and authorization for VCBH to accept the OTS grant in the amount of \$250,000 for ADP Prevention Services, effective October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017.

**Recommendation #3:**

To provide the grant-funded services described above, VCBH will need to extend for an additional year the full-time (1.0 FTE), grant-specific Program Administrator I fixed-term position. The position will be responsible for the overall management and oversight of the grant objectives, including outreach, educational presentations, dissemination of information, tracking of all aspects of interagency collaboration, collaborator and contract provider communication, convening and co-chairing quarterly workgroup meetings, event logistics and planning for the marijuana-impaired "Driving Clearly" community town-hall meetings, and ensuring OTS requirements are met.

VCBH ADP recommends approval and authorization for the Human Resources Director to extend for an additional year the 1.0 FTE Program Administrator I fixed-term ADP position in ADP Budget Unit 3220-3223, effective October 9, 2016.

**Recommendation #4:**

To ensure that sufficient appropriations are available, VCBH is recommending approval and authorization for the Auditor-Controller to process the budgetary transactions necessary to revise the appropriations and revenue in the ADP Prevention Services Budget Unit 3220-3223 by \$187,500.


This Board Letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, Auditor-Controller's Office, County Counsel, Human Resources, and Behavioral Health Advisory Board. If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Elaine Crandall at 981-1881.

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Attachment:

Exhibit 1 - Office of Traffic Safety Grant