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Subject: Approval of a Certificate of Assurance of Compliance, as

Required by the California Office of Emergency Services for the Transitional Housing Grant Program.

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## Recommendation:

July 26, 2022

**Board of Supervisors** 

800 South Victoria Avenue

County of Ventura

Ventura, CA 93009

Approval of a Certificate of Assurance of Compliance that is required as part of the annual grant renewal package for the California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) Transitional Housing (XH) grant program.

# Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory:

No

Source of Funding:

Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Victim Assistance

Formula Grant Program through CalOES

Funding Match Required:

None related to this action

Impact on other Departments: None

There is no fiscal/mandate impact associated with this item. Funds associated with this grant program have been incorporated in the Human Services Agency's Current Fiscal Year Adopted Budget.

### Discussion:

On July 5, 2022, the Human Services Agency (HSA) submitted a grant application to the CalOES XH program for \$350,000 to fund the Salus Project at the RAIN Transitional Living Center (RAIN) for calendar year 2023. The Salus Project renewal proposes to continue providing safe housing at RAIN as well as case management services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness who are also victims of domestic violence.

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HSA has been awarded CalOES XH grant funding since January 1, 2019. HSA submitted the 2023 grant application for this annual recurring grant in accordance with the County Administrative Manual - Policy No. Chapter II-5 (Grants, Subventions and Subsidies Approvals). The corresponding revenue and appropriations are included in HSA's Adopted FY 2022-23 Budget approved by your Board on June 20, 2022.

The project has generated positive outcomes in previous grant periods. In calendar year 2019, the first year of the grant, the project served 34 survivors of domestic violence at RAIN. In calendar year 2020 the project served 30 survivors of domestic violence and in calendar year 2021 an additional 34 survivors of domestic violence were served. The project has also assisted nine households in securing permanent housing and continues to provide after care.

The CalOES annual renewal process requires HSA to submit a new Certificate of Assurance of Compliance from your Board that provides assurances that the Agency will comply with federal and state regulations, including but not limited to those pertaining to the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, the Drug-Free Workplace Act, and the California Environmental Quality Act. Once approved by your Board and signed by the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, HSA will submit this form to CalOES to complete the grant application. We ask that your Board approve the Certificate of Assurance of Compliance (Exhibit 1) for submission to CalOES.

This letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office, and County Counsel. If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact me at 805-477-5301, or Marissa Mach, Deputy Director, Adult & Family Services, at 805-477-5323.

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Attachment:

Exhibit 1-Certificate of Assurance of Compliance