

County of Santa Clara

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DATE: October 19, 2020

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
Jeffrey V. Smith, County Executive

FROM: Alan Minato, Finance Director

SUBJECT: **Funding for Intimate Partner Violence, Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Services**

Background:

At the September 22, 2020 Board of Supervisors meeting, Supervisor Chavez requested that the Administration report back to the Board during the November budget discussions with options for consideration relating to reimbursement from State or Federal government COVID-19 funding sources for intimate partner violence, sexual assault and child abuse services during the pandemic.

Analysis:

The Finance Agency's disaster cost consultant, AG Witt, identified programs under the CARES Act via the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that may provide funding for these types of programs and services. Under the CARES Act, all funds must be expended by December 30, 2020 to be eligible.

Family Violence Prevention and Services: The DHHS, Administration of Children and Families, allocated \$45 million in the form of grants to provide additional support services to family violence shelters. The State of California was allocated the following amounts:

- FVPSA FY2020 State Domestic Violence Coalition Grant Awards: \$283,036
- FVPSA FY2020 Family Violence Prevention and Services State and Territory Grant Awards: \$10,082,702
- FY 2020 CARES Act Supplemental Awards for State Domestic Violence Coalitions: \$80,357
- FY 2020 CARES Act FVPSA Supplemental Awards for States: \$4,154,993

The County of Santa Clara was not awarded any funding under these grants.

Child Welfare Services: \$45 million was made available in the form of enhanced Title IV-B grants to states, territories and tribes. These were issued on April 23, 2020 and the State of California received \$4,580,101. These funds were distributed to all Title IV-B awardees according to a statutory formula.

The County of Santa Clara Social Services Agency was awarded \$99,200 of these funds.

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