



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: October 6, 2015

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administration, Housing & Human Services Division, Community Development Department

SUBJECT: PATH (Formerly Casa Esperanza) Shelter Agreement

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve, and authorize the Community Development Director to execute, an Agreement with People Assisting the Homeless, or PATH, for the operation of a homeless shelter.

DISCUSSION:

As of July 1, 2015, Casa Esperanza Homeless Shelter merged with and is now a program of PATH. On July 21, 2015, City Council authorized the Community Development Director to execute assignment agreements and related documents between the City and PATH in connection with the merger and transfer of the property from Casa Esperanza to PATH. Community Development Block Grant and Human Services grants awarded to Casa Esperanza have also been assigned to PATH.

During the City's Fiscal Year 2015 budget approval process, Casa Esperanza requested, and Council approved, an additional \$125,000 in General Fund support for the operation of the Casa Esperanza Homeless Shelter and related supportive services. This funding was renewed in Fiscal Year 2016. The City also contributes an annual allocation of General Fund monies each year to help support the emergency winter shelter (\$77,100 for Fiscal Year 2016).

This agreement with PATH, totaling \$202,100, combines the \$77,100 winter shelter funding and the additional \$125,000 in General Fund Support approved by Council for Fiscal Year 2016 shelter operations. A copy of the agreement is available in the City Clerk's office for public review.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

There is no impact to the General Fund as both the winter shelter and additional funding were approved by Council during the Fiscal Year 2016 budget process.

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SUBMITTED BY: George Buell, Community Development Director

APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office