



Children & Families
Commission of Orange County

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Agenda Item No. 7
December 5, 2007 Meeting

DATE: November 21, 2007
TO: Children and Families Commission of Orange County
FROM: Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director 
SUBJECT: California Endowment Wildland Fire Recovery Funding Grant

SUMMARY:

Commission staff was notified by The California Endowment that Orange County will receive \$100,000 for re-granting to deal with recovery from the recent wildland fire. Because of our existing matching fund partnership with the Endowment, we have been asked to coordinate this effort.

Of the \$100,000, the Orange County Coalition of Community Clinics will receive \$40,000 directly from the California Endowment and redistribute that funding to 2 or 3 member clinics that addressed increase caseloads due to asthma, respiratory conditions and other impacts from the fire.

The balance of \$60,000 will be provided to the Commission for re-granting to organizations in individual amounts not to exceed \$10,000. The grants will be restricted to health or health related programs. The established criteria for selecting the local organizations consist of the following;

- 1.) Provide documents that the agency has expended funds to purchase items to address the needs of the displaced families (examples of documentation may be evidence of purchased goods or services and distribution to wildfire victims),
- 2.) Provide documentation that they redirected staff time or other agencies resources to assistance in relief efforts,
- 3.) Provide documentation and information on the families that received services and resources, and
- 4.) Provide follow-up information on current status of families helped

This re-granting program will complement the recent effort spearheaded by Supervisor Campbell to establish a \$100,000 fund at the Orange County Community Foundation for fire recovery through a recent action by the Board of Supervisors. The Executive Director will convene an ad-hoc funding panel to review the grant proposals and provide a follow-up report to your Commission.

STRATEGIC PLAN & FISCAL SUMMARY:

The proposed action has been reviewed in relation to the Strategic Plan and is consistent with the Commission's Healthy Children goal. There is no direct fiscal impact associated with this action

item. Commission staff and consultants will coordinate the re-granting effort and will not be reimbursed by the California Endowment grant

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- 1.) Authorize Executive Director to accept funding from California Endowment in an amount of \$60,000 and execute a grant agreement with the California Endowment for receipt of funding.
- 2.) Authorize payments of an amount not to exceed \$10,000 per organization, in a total amount not to exceed \$60,000 to selected eligible organizations in accordance with a letter agreement with each recipient organization. Further authorize the Executive Director to execute the letter agreements with the grant recipients.

ATTACHMENT:

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