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TO: Each Supervisor

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SUBJECT: **IMPACT OF FISCAL YEAR 2014 FEDERAL OMNIBUS BUDGET ON
COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANT INITIATIVES AND OTHER DPH
PROGRAMS**

This is to inform you that the recently enacted omnibus budget for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2014, which began on October 1, 2013, does not include a funding allocation for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Community Transformation Grants (CTG) program. This program funds the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Choose Health LA initiative (\$9.85 million in FFY 2013) that includes a number of contracts and activities focused on reducing tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke, improving nutrition, increasing physical activity, increasing access to clinical preventive services, and creating safe and healthy physical environments. The omnibus budget, however, included increased funding for heart disease, stroke, and diabetes prevention at the CDC, and the creation of a new Community Prevention Program to further advance prevention and multi-sector work in communities.

We have been in contact with the CDC to determine the potential impacts to CTG-funded projects. CDC officials have indicated to us that they are currently assessing the impacts of the omnibus budget on CDC programs, including the CTG program, and will inform current grantees as soon as they have additional information.

We are working closely with the Chief Executive Office on this issue, and we will continue to update you as we receive additional information about impacts to our CTG program initiatives, and other DPH programs that might be affected, including the National Public Health Improvement Initiative (\$0.8 million in FFY 2013).

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please let me know.

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