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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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Dear Supervisors:

## **APPROVE THE DONATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTIES TO THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AND CITY OF LOS ANGELES (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4) (3 VOTES)**

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### **SUBJECT**

Request authority for the Los Angeles County (LA County) Department of Health Services (DHS) to donate surplus properties to the City of Long Beach and City of Los Angeles.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that Restroom Trailer Vehicle (RTV), Vehicle Identification No. 1A9VHG33XB1247315, License Plate No. 1379430, County Tag No. 63002, is surplus property to DHS and approve the donation of this item to the City of Long Beach (Long Beach).
2. Find that Treatment Trailer Vehicle (TTV), Vehicle Identification No. 4FGE8532X6C093071, License Plate No. 1263131, and Support Trailer Vehicle (STV), Vehicle Identification No. 4FGE853306C093072, License Plate No. 1263132 (TTV and STV), are surplus properties to DHS and approve the donation of these items to the City of Los Angeles (Los Angeles).
3. Authorize the Director of DHS (Director), or designee, to execute separate Donation Agreements with Long Beach and Los Angeles effective upon execution following this recommendation by the Board of Supervisors (Board).

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## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

### Background

DHS finds the RTV to be considered surplus property to DHS' needs. The RTV was purchased in 2011 to support the deployment of its surge hospital; however, it was never used during any deployment of the surge hospital because the receiving sites already had restrooms available.

DHS also finds the TTV and STV to be considered surplus properties to DHS' needs. The EMS Agency's April 21, 2022, COVID-19 After Action Report indicated the EMS Agency does not have the necessary personnel to support the deployment of the TTV and STV effectively and efficiently. As currently outfitted and configured, both trailers are over the legal weight limit in California and the cost of maintaining 17-year-old vehicles and outdated medical equipment is prohibitive.

Both the TTV and RTV were purchased using Homeland Security Grant Program funds, specifically Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) and Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) funds, which were combined into a single program in the mid-2010s. The UASI grant requires DHS to be responsible for tracking and maintenance of the vehicles unless they were donated to another UASI entity. As the designated UASI jurisdictions in LA County, it is preferred that the donations are directed to the cities of Los Angeles and Long Beach.

### Long Beach

Long Beach expressed a need for a trailer to support its emergency/public health response capabilities for large annual events, such as The Long Beach Grand Prix, Pride Parade, Long Beach Marathon, and people experiencing homelessness outreach. Long Beach agrees to accept the RTV in an "as-is" condition and assumes all liability related to its use.

Upon the Board's approval to donate the RTV, DHS will coordinate the transfer process with Long Beach. The RTV will be available to Long Beach and LA County as emergency response resources. In the past, surplus property vehicles have been sold through public auction.

### Los Angeles

Los Angeles expressed a need for trailers such as a TTV and STV to support its disaster preparedness activities in Los Angeles and agrees to accept the vehicle(s) in an "as-is" condition and assume all liability related to their use.

Upon the Board's approval to donate these vehicles, Los Angeles will initiate the transfer process. The transfer of the vehicle(s) to Los Angeles will allow Los Angeles to take possession of the vehicle (s) and make them immediately available for use. The TTV and STV will be available to Los Angeles and LA County as emergency response resources.

### Recommendations

Approval of the first recommendation to find the RTV as surplus property and to approve the donation to Long Beach will allow DHS to coordinate the transfer process and allow Long Beach to take possession of the RTV immediately for use.

Approval of the second recommendation to find the TTV and STV as surplus properties and to approve the donation to Los Angeles will allow DHS to coordinate the transfer process and allow Los

Angeles to take position of the TTV and STV for immediate use.

Approval of the third recommendation will allow the Director or designee to execute individual donation agreements with Long Beach and Los Angeles, respectively.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended action supports LA County's Strategic Plan, North Star 2 – “Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities” and North Star 3– “Realize Tomorrow's Government Today,” which will maximize the use of LA County assets in a fiscally responsible manner.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There is no net County cost impact associated with the recommendations. There will be no cost to DHS for removal of the decals or equipment. The vehicles currently have \$0 fair market value and have been approved for disposition by the Chief Executive Office.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Government Code, Section 25372 et seq., provides the authority for the Board to donate or lease any real or personal property that it declares to be surplus property to any public agency or organization exempt from taxation.

Although donating the surplus property will not impact DHS' services, transfer of title is required and will be consummated upon the Board's approval of these donations.

The donation agreement template has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The surplus properties are no longer useful to DHS; therefore, their donation to UASI entities, Long Beach and Los Angeles respectively, who will store, care for, and utilize the vehicle(s) thereby alleviating the County of the burden to perform maintenance on the trailers as needed. This preferred approach to transferring responsibility of the trailers to fellow UASI grant recipients will not impact DHS' services. This action is in the best interest of LA County residents served by the cities of Long Beach and Los Angeles.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christina R. Ghaly".

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Director

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County Counsel  
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors