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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (ALL DISTRICTS - 3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Authorize the Director of the County of Los Angeles (County) Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), or her designee, to accept the year 2027 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funding and enter into a State Standard Agreement with the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of DPSS, or her designee, to accept the 2027 CSBG funding from CSD, which is estimated to be $6,308,448.

2. Delegate authority to the Director of DPSS, or her designee, to execute all State Standard Agreements for the 2027 CSBG funding.

3. Delegate authority to the Director of DPSS, or her designee, to execute any CSD required term extensions, modifications, and/or amendments to all State Standard Agreements referenced in item number two above, and to accept additions including but not limited to any discretionary or supplemental funding allocations, or reductions of the anticipated CSBG grant award. DPSS will obtain the approval of County Counsel prior to executing such amendments.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The County is one of four CSD approved Community Action Agencies in Los Angeles County. DPSS serves as the administrator of the CSBG Program for the County. Each calendar year, CSD receives CSBG funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, which CSD awards to each Community Action Agency based on the latest census data on poverty populations. To obtain CSBG funds, DPSS must execute State Standard Agreements with CSD.

The CSBG Program is designed to provide services to assist low-income individuals and families to attain the skills, knowledge, and encouragement necessary to achieve economic self sufficiency. The program provides low-income individuals and families with a variety of services under the following six core service categories: employment services, child and family development services, emergency services, domestic violence services, legal services, and senior and/or disabled adult services.

The recommended actions will ensure the full utilization of available 2027 CSBG Program funding by the County.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan, North Star 2 – Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities: Investments in the lives of County residents are sustainable only when grounded in strong communities. Los Angeles County, with the support of a network of public/private partners, community-based organizations, philanthropic organizations, and local governments, will foster vibrant and resilient communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Services provided under the CSBG Program are fully funded by the federal government and are authorized annually for a 16-month contract period through CSD. Based on CSD's 2026-2027 CSBG State Plan, the County's 2027 CSBG allocation is estimated to be $6,308,448. The federal government is expected to finalize the 2027 CSBG allocation by June 2027. There is no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The agreement will be between the County DPSS and CSD for 2027, commencing January 1, 2027, through April 30, 2028, for the provision of CSBG services to low-income individuals and families. The agreement will be approved by County Counsel.

All contractors, current and prospective, are, and will be, in compliance with all Board, Chief Executive Office, and County Counsel requirements.

The 2027 CSBG State Standard Agreement will not result in the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with federal, State, and County regulations and requirements.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will enable DPSS to continue providing CSBG services to low-income residents in all Supervisorial Districts of the County, through its CSBG network of qualified non-profit community-based and faith-based organizations, and public entities. Approval of these

recommendations will avoid any interruption of current services.

Residents in the cities of Los Angeles, Long Beach, Pasadena, South Pasadena, Duarte, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, and portions of Altadena will not be served under the County's CSBG Program. These cities have their own Community Action Agencies and receive CSBG funds directly from CSD.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, it is requested that the Executive Office, Board of Supervisors, return one adopted stamped Board Letter to the Director of DPSS.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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