

Monterey County

Meeting will be held via Zoom



Meeting Agenda - Final

Friday, May 21, 2021

11:00 AM

Urban County Standing Committee

Supervisor John M. Phillips

Supervisor Chris Lopez

Zoom Link:

<https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/95405603875?pwd=d3VXalBzQXZ3ZVBVZlFjRkQyY3I1dz09>

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Basado en la orientación del Departamento de Salud Pública de California y la Oficina del Gobernador de California, con el fin de minimizar la propagación del virus COVID 19, las reuniones del Comité Permanente del Condado Urbano se reunirán íntegramente por conferencia telefónica. No habrá lugar físico para estas reuniones. Los miembros del Comité participarán en la reunión por

conferencia telefónica. Para participar en esta reunión del Comité, se invita al público a observar y dirigirse al Comité telefónicamente. Se le recomienda fuertemente que observe la transmisión en vivo de la reunión del Comité Permanente del Condado Urban en <https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/93849961401?pwd=d09DNUkrcmlLZWIMcC96eTVteUI5UT09>

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3. Si está viendo la transmisión en vivo de la reunión del Comité Permanente del Condado Urbano y desea hacer un comentario público general para los elementos que no están en el orden del día o comentar un punto específico del orden mientras se escucha, seleccione la opción "levantar la mano" en la pantalla Zoom, y su micrófono no estará silenciado para que pueda hablar. Para seleccionar la opción "levantar la mano", haga clic en el icono "participantes" en la parte inferior de la pantalla de Zoom y, después, haga clic en el icono "levantar la mano" junto a su nombre.

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Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comment Period

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee.

Approval of Action Minutes

1.

Approve the Urban County Standing Committee Draft Action Minutes of March 15, 2021.

Attachments: [2021-3-15 Draft Urban Standing Committee Meeting Minutes](#)

Regular Agenda

2.

- a. Receive and review the Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-CV3, Cares Act funding recommendations to reprogram \$1,049,326 in CDBG-CV3 funds provided to the County to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the spread of COVID-19; and,
- b. Recommend approval of the funding recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for CDBG-CV3 funds as part of the 4th Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
[Attachment 1 - Application Summary](#)
[Attachment 2 - Application Descriptions](#)

Adjournment

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Action Minutes - Draft

Monday, March 15, 2021

4:00 PM

Urban County Standing Committee

Supervisor John M. Phillips

Supervisor Chris Lopez

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2. If you choose not to attend the Urban County Standing Committee meeting but wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment, limited to 250 words or less via email by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 12, 2021. Please submit your comment to Anita Nachor at nachoram@co.monterey.ca.us. To assist Ms. Nachor in identifying the agenda item relating to your public comment, please indicate in the Subject Line the meeting body and item number (e.g., Urban County Standing Committee Agenda, Item No. 3). Your comment will be placed into the record at the Committee meeting.
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CALL IN – ZOOM MEETING

Attendees:

Supervisor Lopez, District 1, Supervisor John Phillips, Monica Hale, District 3, Melanie Beretti, Ma Eden Braganza, Rosa Camacho-Chavez, Darby Marshall, Anita Nachor, Mike Novo, Anastacia Wyatt, HCD, Enrique Saavedra, Building Services.

A complete list of attendees is on file with the Committee Secretary

Call to Order

Supervisor Chris Lopez asked that the record show that both County members were present. Supervisor Lopez called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

Roll Call

Supervisor Chris Lopez, District 1, present on zoom meeting.

Supervisor John Phillips, District 3, present on zoom meeting.

Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

Approval of Action Minutes

Approve the Urban County Standing Committee Draft Action Minutes of February 10, 2021.

Action:

The Action Minutes of February 10, 2021 of the Urban County Standing Committee Meeting were approved as submitted. Supervisor Lopez and Supervisor Phillips, each separately stated his approval. Seeing no public comment, Supervisor Lopez stated that the minutes were approved by consensus.

Regular Agenda

- 1.**
 - a. Receive a report regarding Urban County allocations for projects and services based upon an anticipated U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding of \$1,340,488;
 - b. Receive scoring of applications and provide direction on funding allocations; and,
 - c. Direct staff to prepare the Annual Action Plan for Program Year PY 21/22 for consideration by the full Board of Supervisors as required by HUD.

a. Received a report from Anastacia Wyatt and Darby Marshall on the Urban County allocations for projects and services based upon an anticipated U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding of \$1,340,488. Discussion Held. Receive and File.

b. Received an update from Anastacia Wyatt and Darby Marshall on the scoring of applications and provide direction on funding applications. Discussion Held. Receive and file.

Public Comment:

Georgina Alvarez, Central Coast Center for Independent Living (CCIL)
Kurt Schake, Veterans Transition Center (VTC)

Action:

Supervisor Lopez and Supervisor Phillips approved Housing and Community Developments recommendation for County of Monterey – Public Works – First \$881,840 plus 50% of all over first \$60,000, The Veterans Transition Center – 50% of all over first \$60,000, North County Recreation and Park District – First \$60,000 over \$881,840. Supervisor Lopez and Supervisor Phillips, each separately stated his approval. Supervisor Lopez stated that the recommendation was approved by consensus.

c. Supervisor Lopez and Supervisor Phillips directed staff to prepare the Annual Action Plan for Program Year FY 21/22 for consideration by the full Board of Supervisors as required by HUD.. Supervisor Lopez and Supervisor Phillips, each separately stated his approval. Seeing no public comment, Supervisor Lopez stated that the direction was approved by consensus.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM.



Monterey County

Item No.2

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: 21-441

May 21, 2021

Introduced: 5/10/2021

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Matter Type: General Agenda Item

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Urban County Standing Committee:

- a. Receive and review the Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-CV3, Cares Act funding recommendations to reprogram \$1,049,326 in CDBG-CV3 funds provided to the County to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the spread of COVID-19; and,
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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On September 28, 2020, the County was notified that HUD released The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) Act CDBG-CV3 funds in the amount of \$1,049,326. Cares Act funding is intended to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (CDBG-CV grants). The CARES Act allowed for waivers that included suspending the CDBG 15% cap on using CDBG funding to support public services.

The County reviewed prior recommendations for CARES Act funding at the Urban County meeting on May 19, 2020 that included programs or projects that prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. The County used these funds to support four public service programs: meal delivery for homebound seniors; purchase of additional food supplies and distribution equipment for the Food Bank for Monterey County; fair housing and tenant/landlord assistance; and to provide additional 2-1-1 information and referral capacity at the United Way for Monterey County.

On December 18, 2020 of the Urban County Standing Committee (UCSC), and subsequently at the Board of Supervisors on January 12, 2021 CARES Act CDBG-CV3 funding was recommended to continue the County's Rental Assistance program. However, the Friday before the BOS meeting on March 16, 2021, the County learned of the Department of Treasury's possible multi-million rental assistance program. Staff recommended to the Board that should those additional rental funds become

available, staff would come back to the UCSC to reprogram CDBG funds, as CDBG would be able to meet other unmet needs in the community. The Department of Treasury came through with \$14,063,253 and the state added an additional \$12,905,387 through SB 91. Staff was notified on May 7, 2021, additional rental assistance funding will come through from the federal government and the application is due on Monday, May 10, 2021.

To reprogram CDBG-CV 3 funds, on March 17, 2021, the Urban County emailed a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to more than 225 community organizations and posted the NOFA on the County's website. On March 25, 2021, the Urban County and hosted a virtual NOFA workshop to begin soliciting new applications for CDBG CV-3 funding and respond to questions from interested parties. Staff followed the outreach procedures in the County's Citizen Participation Plan as amended to require shorter notice periods and not require published notices.

The Urban County received 10 applications for funding that included eight applications for public services requesting a total of \$746,000. Two economic development applications were submitted requesting a total of \$400,000. Staff is evaluating the public service applications and working with the applicants to verify eligibility for CARES Act funding. Only one application has been determined to be ineligible, Max's Helping Paws Foundation. This public service is ineligible under the CDBG program because the program provides basic income assistance to assist with pet care expenses. Income assistance under CDBG may only pay for eligible activities that include housing or utility costs. The actual amounts recommended for the remaining public service applicants may be adjusted based on the staff review of eligible activities and costs and recommendations from the UCSC.

If the Standing Committee approves of these recommendations listed on Attachment 1, notice of the 4th Substantial Amendment will be published pursuant to the Urban County's Citizen Participation Plan and is scheduled for consideration by the full Board of Supervisors on June 15, 2021.

Prepared by: Darby Marshall, RHO Project Analyst II, Ext. 5391

Approved by: Melanie Beretti, Housing & Special Programs Services Manager

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Application Summary

Attachment 2 - Application Descriptions

Attachment 1

Monterey County FY 2019-2020 CDBG-CV3 Application Summary

Applicant	Project Name	Amount Requested	Recommend Funding	Total Budget	Estimated Beneficiaries
Public Services					
Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County	South County Youth Programs & Services	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	500
Coalition of Homeless Service Providers - County Dept. of Social Services	Project Roomkey Continuation	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Monterey County	Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Monterey County Program	\$103,000	\$103,000	\$103,000	180
Interim, Inc.	MCHOME (Covid-19 mitigation via Street Outreach)	\$100,000	\$126,326	\$100,000	24
Legal Services for Seniors	Legal Services for Seniors	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	328
Max's Helping Paws Foundation	Short Term/Critical Care Veterinary Support Program	\$148,000	\$	\$148,000	339
Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley, Inc.	Meals on Wheels Fresh Meals for Seniors	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	25
Rancho Cielo, Inc.	COVID Operational Expenses and Losses	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	6
	TOTAL	\$746,000	\$624,326	\$746,000	
Economic Development					
CITY OF GONZALES	City of Gonzales CDBG Business Loan Program	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	7
CITY OF GREENFIELD	City of Greenfield Business Assistance Loan Program	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	7
	TOTAL	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	
General Administration					
County of Monterey	NEPA Reviews in Support of Business Assistance Loan Programs	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	
	TOTAL	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	
	TOTAL AVAILABLE	\$1,049,326	\$1,049,326	\$1,049,326	
	TOTAL REQUESTED	\$1,171,000	\$1,049,326	\$1,171,000	
	BALANCE AVAILABLE	-\$121,674	\$0	-\$121,674	

Max's Helping Paws Foundation (\$148k requested) is considered a subsistence payment. Because it is not a payment for an income-qualified household to remain housed or keep utilities connected, it is not an eligible activity.

Staff is continuing to discuss eligibility for CARES Act funding with the Boys & Girls Clubs, CASA, and Legal Services for Seniors. The concern is that there applications did not specifically describe how the additional funding is directly related to preparing for, responding to, and recovering from COVID.

Attachment 2

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	Target Population
Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County	South County Youth Programs & Services	BGCMC Community Services provides residents of Gonzales Alta and Tower apartments, as well as Camphora (Salinas Valley unincorporated) residents with summer and after school programming, back to school supplies, and essential items. The project supports families as we approach the recovery phase of the COVID-19 pandemic and aim to support youth with summer and after school programming. Locations include onsite at Camphora and working with residential communities in Gonzales in outside settings, until schools and other facilities resume operation.	The residents of Camphora Apartments (Unincorporated Salinas Valley), Alta and Tower Apartments (Gonzales) are predominantly Latino heritage. Residents are extremely low to moderate income, as indicated by the high percentage of youth eligible for free or reduced lunch. The project provides hundreds of youth and their families with youth programs and services, such as outreach kits and back to school supplies.
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Monterey County	Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Monterey County Program	CASA of Monterey County requests public service funds to support its court-appointed advocacy program for children and youth placed in foster care due to abuse and neglect. Funds will support the the anticipated increase of children entering the child welfare systems due to the impacts of COVID19 by recruiting, training and supporting community volunteers who become court-appointed advocates assigned to work with a child referred by the court. Two additional Advocate Supervisors are needed to meet this demand of new cases.	CASA of Monterey County provides frontline service to Monterey County children and youth between the ages of birth to 21 years, and who have been placed in foster care due to severe abuse, neglect and abandonment. Foster youth ages 18 to 21 years are also known as non-minor dependents and by law may remain in foster care with continued benefits if eligibilities are being met. Children/youth are placed in temporary foster care, until they can secure a permanent, safe home environment. Children in foster care move from placement to placement with little or no preparation in advance. Children/youth are removed from their homes throughout Monterey County and are placed throughout the county. If a foster home is not available to meet their needs within Monterey County, they may be placed out of county, while still receiving Monterey County services as a Monterey County dependent. Monterey County (est. population of over 435,000) is a 3,771 square miles in size; it is the 16th largest county in California, with a geographically dispersed and demographically diverse population. The City of Salinas is the countys seat, and the leading industries are agricultural and hospitality-based. The predominately rural economy is comprised of a large population of transient, seasonal and low-income individuals and families, and access to permanent, affordable housing is an ongoing problem. Of the Countys children under the age of 18, 19% live at or below the poverty line, while 60% of children ages 5-17 speak Spanish in their home. Typically 300-400 children enter the Monterey County dependency system annually. In 2020, CASA served 199 children/youth. As a result of their trauma, foster children often possess emotional, mental or developmental disabilities, both diagnosed and undiagnosed. A study conducted by Harvard Medical School, University of Michigan, and the Casey Family Program found that foster children experience PTSD at a rate double that of war veterans. Foster children experience significant emotional distress related to family loss and separation, similar to the grief after death of a close family member. Foster children will face more challenges as they transition into adulthood, compared to their peers who did not live in foster care. Foster care can have negative impacts and according to the California CASA Association, for foster youth who 'age out': 50% will be unemployed by age 24; 40% will experience homelessness within 1.5 years of exiting the system; 50% will graduate high school, and of that, only 3% will graduate from a 4-year college; nearly 40% will receive public assistance by 21; and 25% will enter the criminal justice system. Children/youth and served by CASA will benefit from having a court-appointed advocate to protect their rights, provide a voice among the child's stakeholders, and will be a consistent adult who's goal is to secure a permanent, safe home for the child.

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	Target Population
Interim, Inc.	MCHOME (Covid-19 mitigation via Street Outreach)	This particular funding will focus on outreaching those homeless individuals impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic in the unincorporated areas of the county as well as in Sand City, Del Rey Oaks, Gonzales, and Greenfield. The homeless population in these areas will benefit as they will get access to disposable masks to keep them and others safer from contracting Covid-19 as well as increased access to motel rooms to limit congestion in homeless encampments, encouragement to get vaccinated and assistance with navigating the vaccine sign up process, and increased access to mental health services.	MCHOME is a Full Service Partnership (FSP) program under the State's Mental Health Services Act serving adults, age 18 and older, who have psychiatric disabilities, are homeless, and who are extremely or very low income. Clients are presumed benefit/limited clientele, however as clients proceed in the engagement process income verification is collected to ensure we serve HUD CDBG CV eligible homeless clients. The goal of a FSP is to provide wrap-around services for individuals with mental illness to enable them to reach their personal goals. Clients may be referred to MCHOME by anyone in the community, including law enforcement, hospital staff, local businesses, and other homeless service providers. Stabilization and housing are the main goals for all clients. During the engagement process, clients are encouraged to utilize all available services, including shelters/motel stays, drop-in centers, the food pantry, and they have access to basic necessities (hygiene items). Services include temporary housing in motels, food, medications, counseling, case management, referrals for substance abuse treatment, assistance in obtaining benefits or work, and referrals for permanent housing. Clients are offered counseling, help with applications for Medi-Cal, SSI, SSDI, General Assistance, veterans' benefits, and referrals to other services. MCHOME can qualify most homeless persons we assist for Medi-Cal. According to the most recent homeless census conducted by the Coalition of Homeless Services Providers in 2019, over 58% of homeless respondents had one or more health condition including substance abuse (45%), mental illness (19%), physical disabilities or other chronic health conditions. For clients who may have a serious psychiatric disability, we arrange an appointment with a psychiatric social worker for a psychiatric assessment and with a psychiatrist for diagnosis and medications, as needed. Clients who don't have a serious psychiatric disability but have some level of mental health problems may be referred to other programs. Counselors work with individual clients to set personal goals and to help each individual develop the skills he or she needs to obtain and maintain housing and to obtain and maintain stability. Staff works with clients as long as is necessary for them to stabilize their mental health and to become self-sufficient, usually up to two years. The goal of the program is to break the cycle of homelessness. This particular funding will focus on outreaching those homeless individuals impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic in the unincorporated areas of the county as well as in Sand City, Del Rey Oaks, Gonzales, and Greenfield.
Legal Services for Seniors	Legal Services for Seniors	LSS is proposing to provide direct legal services to 300 low-income seniors in Unincorporated Monterey County and the Cities of Gonzales, Greenfield and Sand City and provide 4 workshops in those locations educating seniors, their families and caregivers, and the general public on issues related to housing security.	LSS provides legal services seniors need but cannot afford. Many seniors forego legal advice because they cannot pay an attorney up to \$350 per hour in addition to basic necessities of food, clothing, shelter and medical care. Given seniors lack of discretionary funds for legal assistance, equal access to justice remains out of their grasp. LSS helps level the playing field by providing legal representation in courts settings at no charge to our senior clients.

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Max's Helping Paws Foundation	Short Term/Critical Care Veterinary Support Program	Our Critical/Short term care program offers the largest amount of funding for pets to be evaluated and treated for acute crisis situations. This can include sudden illness, traumatic wounds or other unexpected situations. While not every case is life-threatening, without care, these animals may be surrendered, may suffer and/or have to be euthanized. This is an ongoing program which we will continue to offer to residents of Monterey County and their pets. The addition of Chestnut's Fund, immediately when COVID hit, has accelerated the need for what we do, as well as the pool of those in need.	At Max's Helping Paws, our primary demographic is those experiencing financial hardship who live in the Monterey County area. Our clients consist of veterans, single income households, those living on fixed incomes, homeless, those impacted directly due to COVID-related job loss and others who may be experiencing financial hardship due to medical or other life circumstances. We seek to provide funding for pets in health crisis for anyone who is experiencing financial difficulty. Traditionally, 100% of our clients are considered in the low and moderate-income bracket. Last year, we experienced an influx of clients who would otherwise not have been considered at this level. These are the families who traditionally have work, and lost that work or became reduced hours once COVID began. 100% of our support last year went directly to low and moderate-income families, with 50% of the clients being directly impacted with COVID. During a year when tragedy struck the globe, our services provided stability for pet companions to stay healthy and home, thus directly correlated to an individual/families mental well-being during and already turbulent year. Our services lower the costs of veterinary care for these families so that they are able to keep their companion well and healthy. Without our services, these families would have to face the difficult decision of surrendering their companion to a shelter, economic euthanasia or potential suffering for what is not 'just' a pet, but a companion who provides mental stability and health to the family.
Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley, Inc.	Meals on Wheels Fresh Meals for Seniors	We will be able to serve 4000 meals to seniors, 62 and older who are sheltering in place and afraid to leave their homes because of the pandemic. If we serve 25 people a week, 5 meals a day at \$25.00 per day per person, we'll be able to serve these people for approximately 7 months based on the funding request of \$100,000.	Our regular home-delivered meal program serves homebound seniors, 62 and older, who cannot shop or cook for themselves and live in Gonzales, Greenfield and other unincorporated areas of the Salinas Valley such as Chular. The program we are seeking funding for would serve seniors, 62 and older who are not homebound in the traditional sense but who are, due to Covid-19, sheltering in place and often afraid to go out to shop for groceries.

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Rancho Cielo, Inc.	COVID Operational Expenses and Losses	<p>Like many organizations, Rancho Cielo has undergone significant changes due to the pandemic. In order for Culinary students to continue their vocational training, Rancho Cielo erected a large tent to be used for outdoor dining (\$5000). In addition, due to the pandemic, a large amount of earned income associated with the cost of goods and stipends was lost (\$57,600). Finally, eight laptops (\$8,000) were given to students for home use that were originally for staff. Those laptops will continue in service post-COVID. As such, we humbly request \$30,000 to defray these costs and losses.</p>	<p>Rancho Cielo serves marginalized primarily Latinx youth aged 16-24. 100% of Rancho Cielo students come from low income families. Our students were unsuccessful in a traditional high school setting for a variety of reasons: incarceration, family barriers, pregnancy, homelessness, and more. For similar reasons, our students are also most likely to be significantly impacted by the pandemic. In fact, in Monterey County, Latinx residents make up 82% of COVID-19 cases. The virus creates a safety concern for our students. Although homicides have been on the decline in the County, research shows that Monterey County's Hispanic male youth aged 16-24 are the most at risk of becoming victims of, or involved in, violence and crime. The risk increases when youth are not physically in school as has been the case due to the pandemic. Diminished economic opportunities, family disruptions, and few positive mentors also pose a significant threat to the safety of young adults. Homelessness has been a crisis in Monterey County for several years. Increasing rents, low-wage jobs, and a high cost of living are creating a situation where more and more people end up homeless. Although the 2019 Monterey County Homeless Point-In-Time Census & Survey showed that the number of homeless individuals in the area decreased from 2017 to 2019, the COVID-19 pandemic has created a financial downturn. Many families and individuals have lost their jobs and are now at-risk of being homeless. The homeless crisis is particularly dire in the City of Salinas. Salinas has a little over a third of Monterey County's population but over 50% of the total homeless population. Additionally, in Monterey County, Salinas has the largest number of COVID-19 cases. All of these factors create severe problems for students academically. The opportunity to get out of poverty is virtually non-existent without a diploma. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, high school dropouts earn about \$10,000 a year less than graduates amounting to lifetime earnings that are \$260,000 less than peers who earned a diploma. Additionally, people without diplomas have fewer job options available to begin with. Providing services to the county's most vulnerable youth that increase the number of students receiving their diploma, provide access to living-wage jobs, and offer mentorship and enrichment opportunities is a top priority for our community. The Transitional Housing Village at Rancho Cielo provides housing for low- or very low-income people aged 18-24 who are working to make a positive change but are homeless or unsafe in their communities. For some of our students, sleeping in cars, couch surfing from place to place, or staying in a shelter becomes their only option. When combined with Rancho Cielo's other academic and vocational programs, these services help ensure that these youth leave our campus fully prepared to retain permanent housing.</p>
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Boys & Girls Clubs of Monterey County	Youth have been sheltering-in-place for over a year and most have not participated in programming or youth development activities. The Clubs will provide these much needed services at the residential sites and when fully operational, on school campuses. Youth will receive materials and supplies to support their needs, including back to school supplies, clothing and essential supplies. Supporting these high need families during the COVID-19 pandemic meets a CDBG goal by providing a suitable living environment.	Youth have been sheltering-in-place for over a year and most have not participated in programming or youth development activities. The Clubs will provide these much needed services at the residential sites and when fully operational, on school campuses. Youth will receive materials and supplies to support their needs, including back to school supplies, clothing and essential supplies. Supporting these high need families during the COVID-19 pandemic meets a CDBG goal by providing a suitable living environment.
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Monterey County	As the only court-appointed child advocacy program in Monterey County, CASAs are trained volunteers advocate for the most at-risk and vulnerable children in our communities. In the short term, CASA volunteers are a reliable adult who the child learns to trust; they teach valuable life skills and appropriate social interactions; connect youth with community resources; help youth think about and prepare for the future; and provide valuable recommendations and information to the child's stakeholders. In the long term, foster youth with a CASA volunteer have better outcomes. Through CASA volunteers, this program provides positive intervention that interrupts legacies of abuse, thereby positively impacting communities now and for generations to come. Due to COVID, many of the services to children and families who benefit from our program were paused or impacted by increased needs. CASA volunteers who work with the children, and informally with the parents and/or caregivers, have been vital in ensuring the children have access to their needed services, in school and in the community. While the child's stakeholders such as their social workers, attorneys, teachers, and therapists, can be overwhelmed with multiple cases, a CASA is assigned to work with one child. This focused approach ensures that the child will not get lost or forgotten in oftentimes overburdened systems, especially in great times of need as the pandemic, and helps to maintain accountability for all of the people responsible for the child's well-being. As court officers, CASAs provide critical recommendations to the judge so that the best decisions can be made in behalf of the child. CASA has longstanding and reputable collaborations with various agencies working with the child including Department of Social Services, Peacock Acres, Epicenter, Monterey County Superior Court, Monterey County Office of Education, and Monterey County Behavioral Health. These, and many more partners, work towards the goal of providing services to these child victims with the intent to change the trajectories of their lives, and provide a safer and vibrant community.	As the only court-appointed child advocacy program in Monterey County, CASAs are trained volunteers advocate for the most at-risk and vulnerable children in our communities. In the short term, CASA volunteers are a reliable adult who the child learns to trust; they teach valuable life skills and appropriate social interactions; connect youth with community resources; help youth think about and prepare for the future; and provide valuable recommendations and information to the child's stakeholders. In the long term, foster youth with a CASA volunteer have better outcomes. Through CASA volunteers, this program provides positive intervention that interrupts legacies of abuse, thereby positively impacting communities now and for generations to come. Due to COVID, many of the services to children and families who benefit from our program were paused or impacted by increased needs. CASA volunteers who work with the children, and informally with the parents and/or caregivers, have been vital in ensuring the children have access to their needed services, in school and in the community. While the child's stakeholders such as their social workers, attorneys, teachers, and therapists, can be overwhelmed with multiple cases, a CASA is assigned to work with one child. This focused approach ensures that the child will not get lost or forgotten in oftentimes overburdened systems, especially in great times of need as the pandemic, and helps to maintain accountability for all of the people responsible for the child's well-being. As court officers, CASAs provide critical recommendations to the judge so that the best decisions can be made in behalf of the child. CASA has longstanding and reputable collaborations with various agencies working with the child including Department of Social Services, Peacock Acres, Epicenter, Monterey County Superior Court, Monterey County Office of Education, and Monterey County Behavioral Health. These, and many more partners, work towards the goal of providing services to these child victims with the intent to change the trajectories of their lives, and provide a safer and vibrant community.

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