



MARIPOSA COUNTY

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RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-44

MEETING: January 22, 2019
TO: The Board of Supervisors
FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director
RE: 2019 Dollar Energy Fund (PG&E) REACH Application Screening Agreement

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve the 2019 REACH Program Application Screening Agreement with Dollar Energy Fund and authorize the Board of Supervisors chair to sign the agreement.

The REACH program is administered by Dollar Energy Fund and assists eligible PGE customers with their utility bills. Originally founded in 1983 in Pennsylvania, Dollar Energy Fund began with three local partners. Today, the organization works with 40 utility organizations in 12 states to provide assistance to families and individuals in need. This particular agreement involves County of Mariposa clients receiving utilities through the Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) company. Under this agreement, the County of Mariposa Energy Assistance program staff will screen and collect completed client applications for REACH utility assistance through Dollar Energy Fund, a PGE intermediary. The County of Mariposa Energy Assistance program will receive \$15 for each completed application submitted. This work will be performed by staff already collecting and screening applications for our existing Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

This is a new agreement with Dollar Energy Fund for the REACH program.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this Agreement is not approved, County of Mariposa will miss an opportunity to help underserved clients meet basic health and safety needs, and the County will forego the \$15 fee paid for each completed application.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This Agreement is cost neutral to the County. The County of Mariposa Energy Assistance program will receive \$15 for each completed application submitted.

ATTACHMENTS:

REACH Agmt and Scope of Work Wcsignature (PDF)

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RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

SECONDER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor

AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey