COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020

MINUTE ORDER NO. 13

SUBJECT: CARES ACT FUND REALLOCATION IN RESPONSE TO UNSPENT APPORTIONMENTS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW
COVID-19 has not only been a debilitating disease to many within our region, and the world, but has also created an economic crisis. This economic crisis has led to housing and food insecurity, business closures, unemployment, health impacts, and other wellness issues. To help combat these adverse impacts, the County of San Diego (County) received critical dollars from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The CARES Act fund was apportioned to ensure equitable support for our communities, businesses, and the constituents we serve. To date, a portion of the CARES ACT dollars have not been expended. Previous actions from the Board of Supervisors (Board) that have not been totally expended include: $8.6 million for the Great Plates program; $5 million for telehealth behavioral health; $7.5 million for the Test, Trace, Treat Strategy (T3); $1.6 million for child welfare economic stimulus services; and $1.1 million in interest gained on the CARES Act fund. These figures are estimates based on the best information to date and will be verified prior to the Board meeting. Today’s action would reallocate the unspent CARES Act funds to date to ensure the County receives full benefit of the CARES Act relief fund without expiration and to prevent the requirement to relinquish unspent funds.

RECOMMENDATION(S)
VICE-CHAIRMAN JIM DESMOND
1. Approve the following reapportionments to the CARES Act Funding:
   a. $8.6 million from the Great Plates 1 and 2 Programs to food banks in the San Diego region.
   b. $5 million from Telehealth Behavioral Health to rental assistance for behavioral health patients.
   c. $7.5 million from unspent T3 and $1.6 million from unspent child welfare economic stimulus services to the Economic Stimulus Program (divided equally among the five districts).
   d. $1.1 million in interest gained from the CARES Act dollars to the County Economic Stimulus Program (divided equally among the five districts). (4 VOTES)

FISCAL IMPACT
If approved, today’s allocation will allocate $1.1 million in interested gained from CARES Act dollars and reallocate $22.7 million in CARES Act funding previously allocations but projected to be unspent. There will be no change in net general fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT
N/A
ACTION 13.1:
A motion was made by Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Gaspar, to approve the following reapportionments to the CARES Act Funding:

- $8.6 million from the Great Plates 1 and 2 Programs to food banks in the San Diego region, retaining $1.6 million until after December 8, 2020 for the programs.

- $5 million from Telehealth Behavioral Health to rental assistance for behavioral health patients.

- $3.8 million from unspent T3 and $1.6 million from unspent child welfare economic stimulus services to the Economic Stimulus Program (divided equally among the five districts) and $1.1 million in interest gained from the CARES Act dollars to the County Economic Stimulus Program (divided equally among the five districts), for a total of $6.5 million to the Economic Stimulus Program.

(A substitute motion was made)

ACTION 13.2:
A substitute motion was made by Supervisor Cox, seconded by Supervisor Jacob, to retain the following allocations from the CARES Act Funding:

- $3.8 million for the Test, Trace, Treat Strategy (T3).

- $5 million for Telehealth Behavioral Health including rental assistance for behavioral health patients.

- $1.6 million for child welfare economic stimulus services, including stipends for child care providers.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher
NOES: Desmond

ACTION 13.3:
ON MOTION of Supervisor Cox, seconded by Supervisor Jacob, the Board of Supervisors approved the following reapportionments of $13.6 million in CARES Act Funding:

- $7 million to the Economic Stimulus Program (divided equally among the five districts).

- $3 million for an emergency rental assistance program.

- $1.6 million for the Great Plates 1 and 2 Programs with any unused funds carried over to San Diego region food banks.

- $2 million for food banks in the San Diego region.

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Fletcher, Desmond
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Signed by Marvice Mazyck, Chief Deputy