

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## MEMORANDUM

Date: June 24, 2014

o: Each Member, Board of Supervisors

Susan Muranishi, County Administrator

From: Supervisor Nate Miley and Supervisor Wilma Chan

cc: Lori Cox, Social Services Agency Director

Alex Briscoe, Health Care Services Agency Director

Re: Emergency Stabilization Funds for Alameda County Area Agency on Aging's

Contractors/Senior Services Providers for FY 14/15

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Supervisors approves the following recommendation:

- Lori Cox, Social Services Agency Director and Alex Briscoe, Health Care Services Agency Director shall develop a strategy to earmark a one-time-only emergency stabilization funds for the community based organizations that provide senior services through the Alameda County Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for FY 14/15;
- The developed strategy will be discussed at the Monday, July 28, 2014 Social Services Committee meeting; and
- Social Services Agency and Health Care Services Agency shall collaborate to develop an integrated long term sustainable plan of service delivery to older adults and submit to a joint meeting of Social Services and Health Committees during FY 14/15.

## DISCUSSION/SUMMARY

The Alameda County Area Agency on Aging is mandated by the Older American's Act to conduct a Needs Assessments of seniors and a resulting Area Plan, both of which inform the selection and provision of services for seniors. These contracted services are funded from Federal and State funds awarded to Alameda County by the California Department of Aging and from County funds. The Older American's Act funding for these services have been reduced due



to multiple year and multi-level public funding cuts despite the growth of the senior population, the increased cost to provide these services, and the mounting consumer demands.

Senior Services Coalition has requested Alameda County to establish a one-time-only emergency stabilization funds to support the AAA contractors/senior service providers.

Nate Miley

Supervisor, District 4

Wilma Chan

Supervisor, District 3