May 5, 2015

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services requests approval of the Marin County Area Plan for Aging, Fiscal Year 2015-16 Update.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Authorize the President to approve the attached Marin County Area Plan for Aging, Fiscal Year 2015-16 Update and forward the attached Letter of Transmittal to the California Department of Aging.

DISCUSSION: State and Federal laws mandate the local Area Agency on Aging (AAA) to provide annual updates regarding the use of funds for aging services. The attached Marin County Area Plan for Aging, Fiscal Year 2015-16 Update outlines the development of the planning and service area's aging services for the fiscal year. The Marin County Commission on Aging has approved the attached Area Plan at a public hearing held on April 9th at the San Rafael Community Center.

The current Area Plan covers fiscal years 2012-16. This is the third update of the current plan and presents services strategies that will be undertaken by the Area Agency on Aging and its advisory council, the Commission on Aging, to address the needs of older adults, family caregivers, and people with disabilities in Marin County.

Activities proposed to address these needs in the coming year include: working collaboratively with internal and external partners to create and enhance an age friendly community in Marin; utilizing best practices to promote the health and well-being of older adults and their caregivers; conducting forums to educate the public about critical topics and issues that impact older persons and family caregivers; examining existing service gaps and developing solutions through a community-wide aging action initiative.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS: Approval of the attached plan will allow the County to continue to receive Federal and State funds for service to older adults in Marin.
FISCAL IMPACT: The Area Agency on Aging Area Plan for FY 2015-16 currently reflects the estimated Area Plan Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15. The Department will return to your Board with the final Area Plan Budget for FY 2015-16 following State approval of the Area Plan.

REVIEWED BY: [X ] County Administrator [ ] NA
[ ] Department of Finance [X] NA
[ ] County Counsel [X] NA
[ ] Human Resources [X] NA

Copies of the contract materials are available for review in the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors’ office.

Respectfully submitted,

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