



COUNTY OF SONOMA

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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 5/19/2026

To: County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Department of Health Services

Staff Name and Phone Number: Nolan Sullivan, 707-565-4774; Amelyn Olson, 707-565-2696

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:

Public Health Agreements

Recommended Action:

- A) Authorize the Director of Health Services, or designee, to execute agreements, subject to review and approval as to form by County Counsel, as follows:
 - 1. A Jameson Humane Disaster Preparedness Grant agreement for a total not to exceed \$13,500 through December 31, 2026.
 - 2. A subaward agreement with Regents of the University of California for the State General Fund Innovation 3.0 Project grant for a total not to exceed amount of \$916,000 through June 30, 2029.
- B) Authorize the Director of Health Services, or designee, to execute modifications to the agreements associated with this Item in order to address changes in service needs, payment or reimbursement methodologies, subject to available funding as well as review and approval by County Counsel.

Executive Summary:

The Department of Health Services (DHS) is seeking Board approval for two separate funding actions supporting program areas within the department.

Sonoma County Animal Services (SCAS) has been awarded a third consecutive Jameson Humane Disaster Grant to strengthen the County's animal emergency response capabilities. Grant funds will be used to purchase a 2025 Can-Am Defender Utility Task Vehicle (UTV), which will be the first off-road vehicle in the SCAS fleet. The UTV will enable staff to access rural, mountainous, and otherwise hard-to-reach areas during wildfires, floods, earthquakes, and other emergencies to conduct animal evacuations, rescues, and supply transport. Current fleet vehicles are restricted to paved roadways, limiting response capacity in precisely the terrain where large-scale disasters most often occur in Sonoma County.

The County's Home Visiting Programs received California Home Visiting Program State General Fund Innovation 3.0 funding to continue and expand the Trauma-Informed Approach in Public Health Nursing model. Under this grant, DHS serves as the lead agency responsible for program implementation, statewide coordination, and oversight of evaluation activities. DHS is requesting Board authority to enter into an agreement with the Regents of the University of California to lead a multi-site, mixed-methods evaluation of the Trauma-Informed Approach in Public Health Nursing model across California. DHS is the recipient of the

state grant funds and will issue payment to UCSF for these evaluation services. The proposed agreement term runs July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, at a cost not to exceed \$916,000.

DHS is requesting authority to accept the Jameson Humane Disaster Grant and authorize an agreement with the Regents of the University of California in an amount not to exceed \$916,000 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.

Discussion:

Jameson Humane Disaster Preparedness Grant

The DHS SCAS is entrusted with safeguarding the welfare and proper care of animals within the region. The organization's duties span a wide spectrum, from animal control and shelter management to resolving public concerns related to animals.

This award represents the third consecutive year that SCAS has received funding through the Jameson Humane Disaster Grant program. Jameson Humane is a nonprofit based in Napa County which provides grants and resources for animal welfare, focusing on disaster preparedness, response, and recovery for pets and livestock during emergencies like wildfires and floods. They offer community assistance, including food, medical care, and temporary foster support for animals in need.

In previous years, grant funds were used to support disaster preparedness and response efforts, including the acquisition of body cameras for animal control officers. These investments have increased SCAS's ability to respond to disasters and emergencies by enabling the use of real-time and recorded footage for training purposes, improving data collection for animals sheltered in place, and enhancing officer safety and situational awareness during field operations. These enhancements have strengthened SCAS's overall readiness and effectiveness in emergency response.

On February 13, 2026, SCAS received notification that they have been awarded a Jameson Humane Disaster Grant in the amount of \$13,500 to expand the reach and quality of disaster response in Sonoma County.

SCAS will use grant funding to purchase a 2025 Can-Am Defender Utility Task Vehicle (UTV), for an approximate purchase price of \$16,000, dedicated to disaster response and emergency animal rescue operations. The grant will cover the majority of the cost. SCAS is planning to use the Disaster Response Donation Fund to cover the remaining cost. This vehicle will be the first off-road UTV in the SCAS fleet and will support emergency response efforts during wildfires, floods, earthquakes, and other disasters that impact Sonoma County and the State of California.

The UTV will allow SCAS staff to transport animals, rescue equipment, food, water, and medical supplies into hazardous, underserved or remote locations. UTV's off-road capability and compact design will enable quicker access to animals in distress, reduce risk to responders, and improve overall operational efficiency during emergencies. The UTV will also enhance SCAS's ability to assist other jurisdictions through mutual aid, strengthening regional disaster preparedness across California.

Regents of the University of California (Regents)

The County of Sonoma Home Visiting Programs were awarded California Home Visiting Program State General Fund (SGF) Innovation 3.0 funds to support the Trauma-Informed Approach Public Health Nursing (TIA PHN) Statewide Consortium, as well as the implementation of a multi-site evaluation of the model led by the Regents of the University of California, UCSF School of Nursing (UCSF). Under this grant, DHS serves as the lead agency responsible for program implementation, coordination of the Trauma-Informed Approach Public

Health Nursing (TIA PHN) Statewide Consortium, and oversight of evaluation activities.

DHS will contract with the Regents of the University of California, University of California, San Francisco School of Nursing to conduct a multi-site evaluation of the TIA PHN model. DHS is the recipient of the state grant funds and will issue payment to UCSF for evaluation services under this agreement. UCSF Regents has been a long-standing partner in the TIA PHN program and has collaborated with County of Sonoma for the last six years through the prior round of grant funding, SGF Innovation 1.0. UCSF collaborated with the Home Visiting Programs on the development of our successful grant application for Innovation 3.0 funding. UCSF's past experience in trauma informed care programs, current support of the TIA PHN program, and extensive experience working with high-risk perinatal and infant populations make them the ideal partner for these services.

Regent's UCSF School of Nursing evaluation team, led by Dr. Ifeyinwa Asiodu, will lead a multi-site mixed-methods evaluation of the TIA PHN model. Building on the evaluation work completed together under the SGF Innovation 1.0 grant, this work will assess the model's effectiveness in improving maternal and child health outcomes, mitigating toxic stress, and strengthening family resilience among pregnant and parenting families across California.

DHS is requesting authority to enter into an agreement with a term of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029, in amount not to exceed \$916,000.

Strategic Plan:

None

Racial Equity:

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?

No

Prior Board Actions:

On January 9, 2024, the Board authorized budgetary adjustments to the adopted budget to reflect revenues and expenditures associated with Public Health grants awarded to the Sonoma County Department of Health Services, including a Jameson Humane Disaster Preparedness Grant totaling \$18,484.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY25-26 Adopted	FY 26-27 Projected	FY 27-28 Projected
Budgeted Expenses		\$313,500	\$305,333
Additional Appropriation Requested		\$11,833	
Total Expenditures		\$325,333	\$305,333
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal		\$305,333	\$305,333
Fees/Other		\$13,500	
Use of Fund Balance		\$6,500	

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General Fund Contingencies			
Total Sources		\$325,333	\$305,333

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

The purchase of a CanAm Defender Utility Task Vehicle (UTV) to support disaster response operations will be funded with the 2026 Jameson Humane Grant (\$13,500) and Disaster Response donations in the Animal Welfare Fund (\$6,500). The Jameson Humane Grant is included in DHS' FY 2026-2027 Recommended Budget. Appropriations of \$6,500 from the Animal Welfare fund are requested.

The Regents contract is \$916,000 over three years (\$305,333 annually). The FY 2026-2027 Recommended Budget includes \$300,000; additional appropriations of \$5,333 are requested.

Additional appropriations will be added to DHS' FY 2026-27 budget through the Q1 consolidated budget adjustment process.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

None

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - James Humane Disaster Preparedness Grant Award Notice

Attachment 2 - Draft Regents of the University of California Contract

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

None