



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 2/8/2022

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File #: 22-93

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** County Administrative Office

**Agenda Section:** Consent

**SUBJECT:**

Transfer from Contingencies, Contribution to Arcata, Eureka, Ferndale, and Fortuna Veterans, and Supplemental Budget (4/5 Vote Required)

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a transfer from Contingencies in the amount of \$40,000 and corresponding supplemental budget for contributions to the Arcata, Eureka, Ferndale, and Fortuna Veterans (4/5 Vote Required).

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

General Fund (1100)

**DISCUSSION:**

The Veterans groups assume the responsibility for the management and operation of the county owned Veterans Halls including the general upkeep and maintenance of the halls. Due to COVID-19 the Veterans are experiencing a loss of revenue that is impeding their abilities to maintain the Veterans Halls.

Your Board through budget adoption approves funding annually to cover the costs of water, sewer, electricity, gas, garbage, and local telephone services. Typically, the costs for these utilities exceed the amount of funding allocated.

In fiscal year 2020-21 due to lost revenue as a result of COVID-19 preventing events from being held in the Veterans facilities your Board approved a contribution of \$22,020 total to the Arcata, Eureka, and Fortuna Veterans.

Before you today is a request to provide additional funding in fiscal year 2021-22 to the Arcata, Eureka, Ferndale, and Fortuna Veterans in the amount of \$10,000 each for a total of \$40,000 to assist in the general upkeep and maintenance of the county owned halls including utility costs.

Going forward the Veterans groups shall submit a report to Public Works Real Property of all meetings and functions held on the premises during the calendar year, January through December. This report shall be submitted to Public Works Real Property. The report shall also list on a day-to-day basis all organizations utilizing the facility and the amount of rent charged, if any. In addition, the Veterans groups shall submit a report of all expenses incurred. This report shall list on a day-to-day basis all expenditures incurred during the calendar year. The report shall be submitted to Public Works Real Property on or before March 1 of each year and shall include any proposed funding increase requests to be considered for funding through budget adoption in the upcoming fiscal year.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Funding is available through a transfer from the Contingencies budget unit within the General Fund. Approval of this item will reduce General Fund Contingencies by \$40,000; currently \$1,302,276 remains available in Contingences (1100990). Funds will be allocated as follows:  
Arcata Veterans (Vets) Memorial Building (Bldg) (1100199-3196) \$10,000;  
Eureka Vets Memorial Bldg (1100199-3198) \$10,000;  
Ferndale Vets Memorial Bldg (1100199-3190) \$10,000;  
Fortuna Vets Memorial Bldg (1100199-3191) \$10,000.

**STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:**

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing for and maintaining infrastructure

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

Public Works, Arcata Veterans, Eureka Veterans, Ferndale Veterans and Fortuna Veterans.

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

You Board could choose to not approve this additional funding request to the Veterans groups. This is not recommended as these groups help to maintain the county's Veterans Halls and without this funding the Veterans will not be able to carry-out their responsibilities in the maintenance and general upkeep of the halls.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Supplemental Budget

**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

Board Order No.: n/a

Meeting of: n/a

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