December 5, 2006

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

SUBJECT: Health & Human Services Department, Social Services Division, Employment & Training Branch: Agreement with Solano County Workforce Investment Board in the Amount of \$46,000 for Marin's Disability Program Sub-grant FY 06/07 (New)

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Authorize the President to sign and execute the new grant agreement with Solano County for FY 2006/07.
- **2.** Approve the following budget adjustments:

Action	Fund Center	Description	Commitment	Description	Budget Adjust.
No Change	1000062000	Employment Svcs	5110100	Salaries &	N/C
				Benefits	
Increase	1000062000	Employment Svcs	5470120	Indirect	\$ 4,182
				Costs	
Increase	1000062000	Employment Svcs	4550755	Federal -	\$46,000
				Grant	

SUMMARY: Solano County is now operating as the fiscal agent for the North Bay Employment Connection regional collaborative. It is in this role that the Workforce Investment Board of Solano County is assigning funds from the U.S. Department of Labor and the Social Security Administration, through the State of California Employment Development Department, to the four-county collaborative for the Disability Program Navigator (DPN) Sub-grant. Marin's allocation is \$46,000. This funding provides assistance to people with disabilities in navigating through the myriad of programs that serve disabled consumers in the community.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES: The MEC plans to have the Disability Program Navigator (DPN) meet with at least one hundred individuals with disabilities during the course of the grant. The DPN will assist with accessing resources and providing linkages to facilitate seamless and comprehensive services to persons with disabilities in the One-Stop with County, State & Federal programs.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: Due to the collaborative efforts of the four workforce investment areas Marin County is able to provide disability navigator services through the Marin Employment Connection. The end result of those services is that Marin County employers are more informed about hiring people with disabilities, and qualified workers with disabilities are better able to access services and contribute to the labor force.

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FISCAL IMPACT: HHS will redirect an existing position to be funded by the grant. The result will be a reduction in net County cost of \$41,818.								
REVIEWED BY:	Auditor Controller Human Resources County Counsel		N/A N/A N/A					
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