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Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA DATE: January 14, 2020

SUBJECT:

Approve Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions from the California Veterinary Medical Foundation

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve the Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions from the California Veterinary Medical Foundation for acceptance of a cargo container filled with basic emergency animal sheltering supplies; and
- 2. Authorize the Board Chairman to sign two (2) copies of the Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions.

SUMMARY:

When natural disasters happen, a quick response time is needed both for our constituents and for their pets and their livestock. Tulare County Animal Services (TCAS) has responsed to both the Pier Fire and the Cedar Fire during the last few years. The California Veterinary Medical Foundation (CVMF), through a grant from the State of California, is creating and distributing animal emergency shelter supply caches throughout the state, and has offered one to Tulare County Animal Services. This cache comes at no cost to the County, and the supplies contained will allow TCAS a better opportunity to assist our constituents in case of an emergency. The cache comes in a cargo container which would be housed at the Tulare County Road Yard District #1 in Porterville to allow quicker response times to the southern part of Tulare County.

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The cache supplies may only be used during a qualifying emergency, and as a condition of receiving these supplies, if any of the supplies are damaged, lost, stolen or depleted, TCAS will attempt to replace the supplies with identical or similar supplies. TCAS must also make the cache supplies available to other municipalities in the event of disaster. The County effectively releases CVMF from liability for damages from use of the cache.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no additional net cost to the County General Fund. The cache comes at no cost to Tulare County.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year plan includes the Organizational Performance initiative to continuously improve organizational effectiveness. By accepting this grant through the California Veterinary Medical Foundation, Animal Services will be able to assist our constituents quicker during natural disaster response and recovery efforts.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Robert C. Stewart

Director of Fiscal Operations

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions

Offer email

PowerPoint Presentation

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Patrick Hamblin - Animal Disaster Cache Supplies for your county

From:

Grant Miller < GMiller @cvma.net>

To:

"Phamblin@tularehhsa.org" < Phamblin@tularehhsa.org>

Date:

10/23/2019 10:33 AM

Subject:

Animal Disaster Cache Supplies for your county

Attachments: Supply Cache Agreement 2019.pdf

Hi Patrick,

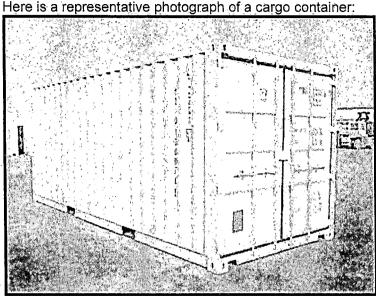
I hope that this email finds you well. We have not heard from you since our July email offer, so I hope that you will respond to me ASAP.

We are excited to share a great opportunity with you to help animals during disasters in your county. Governor Gavin Newson awarded a grant to the California Veterinary Medical Foundation, the charitable arm of the California Veterinary Medical Association, to create and distribute animal emergency shelter supply caches throughout the state. These caches will provide immediate access to supplies for animal sheltering during disasters. The objective is to place a cache in every county in California at no cost to the county.

In 2012, we worked on a pilot project to place animal sheltering supply caches in six counties in California. Since then, all of those caches have been accessed and utilized by host agencies during disaster response and recovery phases and have proven themselves invaluable in providing needed supplies during critical times. Further, we have found that all of the host agencies have been able to replenish the caches with supplies, thus increasing local resiliency and capacity to respond to emergencies.

We are reaching out to you to offer a free cache of supplies to assist your agency in its animal emergency management efforts. The supply cache comes in the form of a 20ft x 8ft x 8ft steel cargo container filled with non-perishable items. These supplies would then be immediately available for basic emergency animal sheltering for companion animals. The cache will contain the following items (please note that the quantities are approximate):

- 1,900 disposable Bowls, (animal food and water)
- 154 clipboards
- 58 horse neck ID bands
- 1,000 dog/cat ID bands
- 52 36-inch cages
- 72 42-inch cages
- 24 48-inch cages
- 75 pounds of kitty litter
- 384 leashes
- 2000 disposable plates (kitty litter pans)
- 1 20x8x8 foot cargo container
- 1 25-inch wide supply cart
- 1,000 zip ties
- 2 30-gallon storage bins



The container would be delivered to you, at no cost, at a mutually-determined time between now and December of 2020. We will work with you or a designated point of contact to determine shipping logistics, once the attached terms and conditions sheet is signed.

We hope you will participate in the Governor's efforts to recognize the importance of animal care in animal response and recovery in California through this grant.

Please let me know by Monday, December 2, 2019 if you are interested and able to receive a cache. Also, I am available to answer questions by phone or email.

Sincerely,

Grant Miller, DVM

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