THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS **BOARD ACTION SUMMARY**

DEPT: Aging and Veterans Services

BOARD AGENDA #: *B-6

AGENDA DATE: August 16, 2016

SUBJECT:

Approval to Appoint Ryan Kegley as the Stanislaus County Veterans Services Officer for the Department of Aging and Veterans Services and Authorize the Chairman to sign the Annual Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program and Annual Subvention Program Certificates of Compliance issued by the California Department of Veterans Affairs

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2016-416

On motion of Supervisor _ Chies and approved by the following w	ote,
Noes: Supervisors:	sa, Withrow, DeMartini, and Chairman Monteith
Excused or Absent: Supervisors Abstaining: Supervisor:	None
1) X Approved as recomm 2) Denied	
3) Approved as amende	d
4) Other: MOTION:	

ELIZADETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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CEO CC	ONCURRENCE:	Q^{\prime}		4/5 Vote Required:	Yes O	No 💿

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STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Appoint Ryan Kegley as the Stanislaus County Veterans Services Officer for the Department of Aging and Veterans Services.
- 2. Authorize the Chairman to sign the Annual Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program and Annual Subvention Program Certificates of Compliance issued by the California Department of Veterans Affairs.

DISCUSSION:

The Department of Aging and Veterans Services is required in accordance with State requirements for receipt of State subventions to have a Veterans Services Officer. The person appointed to this position is required to be a Veteran.

James Greer, Stanislaus County Veterans Services Office Manager and a Veteran, was appointed as the Veterans Services Officer on August 6, 2013. Mr. Greer retired from Stanislaus County in March of this year after 20+ years of service to the County.

Mr. Ryan Kegley, who is a Veteran of the U.S. Army, was hired as the Stanislaus County Veterans Services Office Manager in March, 2016. Mr. Kegley has begun a series of on-going intensive State and Federal training for his new role as a Veterans Services Officer, and with the experience he acquired in the Army of working with smaller units and how together they were able to accomplish a greater goal, he will apply that knowledge in his leadership of the Veterans Services Office (VSO). Ryan is self-motivated, using the Montgomery GI Bill to obtain a college degree upon his discharge from the Army, and no doubt will apply that self-motivation to quickly learning everything he needs to know to successfully manage the VSO and to fulfill the role of Stanislaus County Veterans Services Officer.

It is the recommendation of the Director of Aging and Veterans Services, along with the Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office, to appoint Mr. Ryan Kegley to that position.

Approval to Appoint Ryan Kegley as the Stanislaus County Veterans Services Officer for the Department of Aging and Veterans Services and Authorize the Chairman to sign the Annual Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program and Annual Subvention Program Certificates of Compliance issued by the California Department of Veterans Affairs

The California Department of Veterans Affairs requires that all counties receiving State Subvention and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance funding must certify that the county is in compliance with the administrative requirements and regulations as prescribed by the California Department of Veterans Affairs. The counties Chairman of the Board must sign Certificates of Compliance certifying that the county is in compliance with the Military and Veterans Code Sections 972,972.1 and 972.2.

POLICY ISSUE:

In accordance with Military and Veterans Code Section 970, the Board of Supervisors may appoint a County Veterans Services Officer (CVSO) to administer the aid to veterans provided for in Division 4, Chapter 5, Military and Veterans Code. The CVSO must be aware of, and abide by, the vast network of requirements and regulations as prescribed by various agencies and levels of government, including: Military and Veterans Code, Article 4, Sections 970 through 973, the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 12, Sections 450 through 455, and Title 38, U.S. Code, Sections 1.5 and 14.6.

FISCAL IMPACT:

In order for the Stanislaus County Veterans Services Office to be eligible to apply for and receive State Subvention and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance funding administered by the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA), Stanislaus County shall appoint a County Veterans Services Officer (CVSO). By appointing Ryan Kegley as the CVSO, and provided the Veterans Services Office (VSO) is in compliance with the administrative requirements and regulations as prescribed by CDVA, it is anticipated that the VSO will receive approximately \$110,500 in funding for Fiscal Year 2016-17. This funding is already included in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 County Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:

By approval of the appointment, the Department of Aging and Veterans Services will be able to continue to provide Veteran services to residents of Stanislaus County, consistent with the Board's priority to promote the Efficient Delivery of Public Services by providing excellent community services.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There are no staffing impacts associated with this request.

CONTACT PERSON:

Margie Palomino, Director. Telephone: (209) 525-4601

ATTACHMENT(S):

Two Attachments:

1. Annual Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program Certificate of Compliance

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2. Annual Subvention Program Certificate of Compliance .

ATTACHMENT # 1

Annual Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program Certificate of Compliance

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Annual Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program Certificate of Compliance

Fiscal Year 2016/2017

I certify that <u>Stanislaus</u> County has appointed a County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) in compliance with California Code of Regulations, Title 12, Subchapter 4. Please consider this as our application to participate in the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program authorized by Military and Veterans Code Section 972.5.

I understand and will comply with the following:

- 1. All activities of the CVSO for which payment is made by the CalVet under this agreement will reasonably benefit the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) or realize cost avoidance to the Medi-Cal program. All State and County Medi-Cal Eligibility Workers who generate a Form CW-5 (Veterans Benefits Referral) and/or MC 05 (Military Verification and Referral form) will be instructed to indicate the applicant's Aid Code on the face of the form.
- 2. All monies received under this agreement shall be allocated to and spent on the salaries and expenses of the CVSO.
- 3. This agreement is binding only if federal funds are available to CalVet from the DHCS.
- 4. The CVSO is responsible for administering this program in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 12, Subchapter 4 and the *CalVet Procedure Manual for Subvention and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance* for the current state fiscal year.

Chair, County Board of Supervisors (or other County Official authorized by the Board to act on their behalf)

August 16, 2016 Date

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ATTACHMENT # 2

Annual Subvention Program Certificate of Compliance

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Annual Subvention Program Certificate of Compliance

Fiscal Year 2016/2017

Charge:

Funds are distributed under this program to counties as partial reimbursement for expenses incurred in the operation of the County Veterans Service Office. Funds are distributed according to Military and Veterans Code Sections 972, and 972.1, a State General Fund Expenditure, and 972.2 a Special Fund Expenditure.

County Certification:

I certify that <u>Stanislaus</u> County has appointed a veteran to serve as the County Veterans Service Officer according to California Code of Regulations Title 12, Subchapter 4. This County Veterans Service Officer will administer the aid provided for in Military and Veterans Code Division 4, Chapter 5. This County Veterans Service Officer and Veterans Service Representative staff must achieve and maintain accreditation from the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) within 18 months of employment.

I further certify that the County Veteran Service Officer will assist every veteran of the United States, as well as their dependents and survivors, in presenting and pursuing such claim as they may have against the United States. The County Veterans Service Officer and all accredited staff will also assist in establishing veterans, dependents and survivors' rights to any privilege, preference, care or compensation provided for by the laws and regulations of the United States, the State of California, or any local jurisdiction.

I certify that the current fiscal year proposed expenditures exceeds the actual fiscal year 1988-89 expenditures by at least, the full amount of the current annual allocation.

I also agree that this county, through the County Veterans Service Office, will maintain records for audit. These records will be maintained for a minimum of two years. The county agrees to submit reports in accordance with the procedures and timelines established by CalVet and in accordance with the *CalVet Procedure Manual for Subvention and Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance* for the current state fiscal year. The County Veterans Service Officer will permit CalVet representatives to inspect all records.

I further authorize the Coupty Veterans Service Officer to actively participate in the promotion of the California Veterans Dicense Plate program.

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