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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Budget Item #23
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To: Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors:

Thank you for all you have done to support the critical needs in Santa Clara County during the COVID-19 crisis and for your extraordinary efforts in collaboration with systems and agencies to address the risk and spread of this virus.

The costs have been extreme, including costs lost income, lost lives, lost business and increased costs related to medical care. These costs will reverberate for a long time to come and will clearly have a profound impact on the County Budget. And there is no guarantee there will not be another spike as sheltering in place eases.

With that said, please do not forget about the negative impact of sheltering in place on adult and child victims of Intimate Partner Violence (Domestic Violence), the economic impacts that can negatively impact the ability of victims to move out of the homes they have lived in with their abusers, the traumatic impacts they and their children have been subjected to and the ongoing needs for therapeutic support to address trauma and safety concerns, sheltering costs, and crisis intervention.

When addressing necessary budget cutbacks, please consider the ongoing need for critical services for adult and child victims of intimate partner violence.

Thank you for consideration of this request, and thank you again for the extraordinary work you have all done during this pandemic.

Respectfully,

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From: [Kathy Mattingly](#)
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Cc: [Smith, Jeff](#); james.williams@coo.sccgov.org; [Kathy Mattingly](#); pamastrocola@aol.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comment Urging No Vote on Item 23 (May 12, 2020)
Date: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 12:20:57 PM

Re: Public Comment Urging No Vote on Item 23 (May 12, 2020)

Dear President Chavez, Supervisor Cortese, Supervisor Ellenberg, Supervisor Simitian and Supervisor Wasserman,

In concurring with and urging your urgent and serious consideration of the attached position submitted by Winter Faith Collaborative, I note that Winter Faith consistently brings forward opinions that are fact based and grounded in the lived experience of knowledgeable advocates for the poor and needy.

Without launching an accusation of political self-interest on the part of the board members, I do observe that, in normal times, equal treatment of board members serves a valid political purpose of giving all an equal chance to serve their constituents. However, as a way of exercising fiscal restraint in time of crisis, it is critical to set boundaries that speak to the specific impacts of the crisis. That is, in this case, to allocate resources and to apply caps on such allocation in ways that are focused on the unemployed, the homeless, those most at risk either medically or socio-economically for the serious impacts of the disease.

I urge you to reconsider how the objectives of prudent fiscal policy and response to those most in need of support and protection can be met more effectively than by the proposed measure.

Please vote no on Item 23.

Thank you,
Kathy Mattingly,
Social Ministries Liaison,
St. Thomas of Canterbury, Diocese of San Jose



Winter Faith Collaborative

484 E. San Fernando St San Jose, Ca 95112 - 408-345-5351 Any cap equally applied to districts,

whether by boundary or by elected representative, is an imposition of false equality resulting in gross inequity that forces further disadvantage and harm upon those already hampered by unjust systems. You are strongly urged to stop promoting false frameworks of “harmless equality.” Limiting Supervisors elected to represent disproportionately greater numbers of low-income and extremely low-income families is unjust. It effects real harm to thousands of struggling families with children.

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Equity is about fairness, and providing people with the resources and opportunities they *need*, given their history and set of circumstances.

By capping their elected representatives, you are capping the *needs* of the poor, effecting a budget that treats those who need less as worth more. We are created equal, yes. But we're not created the same and humanity steps in with unequal treatment -- so *equity*, not equality, is necessary to do what is right and just.

A policy of equal budget capping that fails to consider *needs* represented is wrong.

You are strongly urged to vote no on Item 23

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Vote no on Item 23.

Kindly,
Alba Garza

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Project Power

May 12, 2020

Santa Clara County Government
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County Government Center
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San Jose, CA 95110

To Whom It May Concern,

American Diabetes Association would like to thank Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and the Health and Hospital Committee for the past support to the American Diabetes Association's Type 2 Prevention camps in Santa Clara County. Your funds from 2017-2020 helped us implement the program in nine summer camps in Santa Clara from Gilroy to Sunnyvale as well as one aftercare setting at Bowers Elementary.

We are writing as we understand that line item #23 of today's Board of Supervisor Meeting may reduce the Board of Supervisor's budget by up to 75%. We would like to request the careful consideration of this budget as the Board of Supervisor budget funds essential diabetes prevention work that will save millions in healthcare dollars for Santa Clara County by influencing children to develop positive experiences in exercise and nutrition at an early age. In Santa Clara County over 54% of our adult population lives with diabetes or prediabetes.

People with diabetes are 4x more likely to die from COVID-19. Therefore, our mission to prevent and cure diabetes and improve the lives of people with diabetes, is more important than ever.

Please find more information on our type 2 prevention camp, Project Power, enclosed.

Thank you for your review and consideration.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alan Kissick', written over a light blue background.

Alan Kissick
Executive Director
Northern California American Diabetes Association

PROJECT POWER:

Project Power is the American Diabetes Association's (ADA) initiative to slow the trajectory of childhood obesity through health promotion, nutrition education, increased physical activity and family involvement for elementary and middle school aged children in underserved communities to prevent obesity, diabetes and the complications. Through interactive sessions for youth and families, our end goal is to improve and maintain increased physical activity levels in youth, empower children to adapt healthy lifestyle habits and to encourage and develop sustainable healthy lifestyles within the household. Project Power, utilizing the Catch Kids Club (CKC) curriculum, is composed of nutrition education and physical education/activities to foster active living and healthy eating.

Project Power is offered in Santa Clara County through eight Youth Camps. The program reached approx. 450 children per year aged 6-15 who are either overweight or obese, have a family history of diabetes, are of a high-risk ethnic background (African American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian, Asian American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander), have high blood pressure, history of heart disease, stroke or aiming to make healthy lifestyle choices. Project Power focuses on nutrition, physical activity and healthy lifestyles to combat childhood obesity, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and stroke. The curriculum includes interactive nutrition workshops, physical activities and games, family engagement, cooking demonstrations and SMART goal setting.

Project Power is designed to be implemented as an eight week (once a week) or week-long program in elementary schools, after school programs and/or community centers. In 2019 we will complete eight Project Power programs in San Jose.

Project Power changes lives by creating a space where children and their families learn the valuable skills needed to live a happy, healthy life. Project Power utilizes an outcomes-based curriculum that instills the importance of physical activity and nutrition for the entire family. We will establish a baseline from which to measure success and assess progress throughout the program. At an orientation or the first session we will administer a pre-test knowledge assessment. At the end of the program we will administer a post-test knowledge assessment.

IMPACT OF FUNDING:

Over the past 20 years, the prevalence of childhood and adolescent obesity has doubled. It is estimated by that one-third of children born in 2000 will develop diabetes by 2050. Santa Clara County's own Status of Children's Health, Volume 2 also raised concerns about low-income youth and their ability to access physically active programs and healthy foods which could potentially put them at risk for developing diabetes. The report emphasized the importance of expanding nutrition and summer enrichment programs. The lack of these programs can result in negative health and developmental outcomes for children including weight gain and a "summer slide" in learning.

American Diabetes Association's Project Power (Type 2 Prevention Youth Camp) program provides a unique educational opportunity for youth. These eight, one-week camps provide opportunities to educate between 450 and 525 high-risk and low-income youth per year as to the importance of eating healthy and remaining physically active. There are daily sessions of diabetes and nutritional education that focus on teaching important healthier eating through food and drink choices. Through this item, youth campers will have a crucial opportunity to learn how to make lasting lifestyle changes in order to live longer and healthier lives.

CHILD IMPACT:

The recommended action will have a positive impact on children by creating positive experiences with exercise, sports and nutrition at an early age.

SENIOR IMPACT:

The program has a family engagement or a knock-off component that engages the greater family into healthy living. Therefore, the program will not only shape outcomes for participants but also the greater family unit.