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TO: Lisa Bartlett, Chairwomen, Supervisor Fifth District
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FROM: Dylan Wright, Director, OC Community Resources

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON SAFE HOMES FOR OC SENIORS PILOT PROGRAM

On July 16, 2019 your Board reviewed and approved recommended actions 2, 3 and 4 for Agenda Item #29: Safe Homes of OC Seniors Pilot Program. This program would support a pilot program to help low-income seniors in unincorporated communities of Orange County to access funding for home repairs that would enable them to continue living safely in their own homes. Recommended Action #4 directed OC Community Resources (OCCR) to return to the Board of Supervisors within 120 days to seek approval of a plan to establish an ongoing home rehabilitation program for low-income seniors in unincorporated communities as part of the County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, or any other federal or state funding source; consider opportunities to partner with non-profit organizations that may provide additional financial support, in-kind assistance, or otherwise enhance the effectiveness of the County's Safe Homes for OC Seniors program; and consider innovative models adopted by other agencies that are designed to address similar needs.

OCCR is still in the process of vetting other funding opportunities that may contribute to the program beyond the already identified CDBG and General Funds. To better research innovative models and additional funding sources that may be aligned with assisting senior homeowners, OCCR has reached out to the Office on Aging and CalOptima. In order to fully understand these or other potential opportunities, OCCR is requesting additional time beyond the 120 days to bring back a more complete review of the program and funding including any possibilities to address legislative changes or requests that may create access to funding for this program.

OCCR will come back to your Board early 2020 with the pilot program plan and recommendations on funding opportunities and/or recommended legislative options to pursue.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at 714-480-2788 or Julia Bidwell at 714-480-2991.

c: Frank Kim, County Executive Officer