

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Holmes, Supervisor District 3

DATE: July 13, 2010

SUBJECT: REVENUE SHARING – Approve appropriation of \$500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Cowpoke Foundation *2010 Cowpoke Fall Gathering Event* to benefit the Blue Goose Fruit Shed Renovation Project, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$500).

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve appropriation of \$500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Cowpoke Foundation Cowpoke Fall Gathering Event to benefit the Blue Goose Fruit Shed Renovation Project, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$500).

BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS: In approving the following contributions, the Placer County Board of Supervisors finds that each and every approved contribution serves a public purpose by promoting the general welfare of the County and its inhabitants therefore a benefit results to the County.

The Board of Supervisors is being asked to approve appropriations to help support the Cowpoke Foundation *Cowpoke Fall Gathering Event* being held November 11-13 at the Blue Goose Fruit Shed in Loomis. The first Cowpoke Fall Gathering was held in 1995, as a unique form of art, to entertain and help bridge the communication gap between urban and rural society. The mission of the Cowpoke Foundation is to preserve and promote the American cowboy heritage. Educational programs in local schools and youth performances at the Gathering ensure that this heritage continues through introducing young people to these verbal folk art traditions. The funds designated towards this organization will benefit the Blue Goose Fruit Shed Renovation Project preserve the historic building and convert it to a vital community center.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are available in the Revenue Sharing budget.



The mission of the Cowpoke Foundation is to preserve and promote the American cowboy heritage. Our premier event is the Cowpoke Fall Gathering where cowboy poetry, music and story-telling reinforce the cowboy culture at the heart of western traditions. Educational programs in local schools and youth performances at the Gathering ensure that this heritage continues through introducing young people to these verbal folk art traditions.

This year's benefactors will include the Blue Goose Fruit Shed Renovation Project, Tough Enough To Wear Pink Campaign, in the fight against breast cancer, and the Loomis School District Arts Program.

The Fall Gathering has some exciting changes this year. The Cowpoke Foundation has applied for 501 (c) (3) status. We are teaming up with TOUGH ENOUGH TO WEAR PINK (a breast cancer awareness organization), The Loomis Lions Club, High Hand Nursery and Conservatory, Soroptmist Int. of Loomis Basin, and the Loomis Quilt and Fiber Guild, just to name a few. We are offering local organizations and businesses an opportunity to be part of this event, and share a percentage of their proceeds with the Cowpoke Foundation.

We hope you will 'sign on' to what is sure to be an exciting event -
the 2010 Cowpoke Fall Gathering. (November 11 - 14, 2010)

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