

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE APPROVING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FOOD BANK TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE PROGRAM'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AS NECESSARY FOR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in the number of homeless Elk Grove residents since 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Homeless Solutions Committee, an *informal* committee comprised primarily of faith-based and non-profit organizations, has requested the creation of a program to distribute bus passes to homeless Elk Grove residents; and

WHEREAS, guidelines for such a program have been developed in such a manner to avoid impact to the current public transit system and its fare-paying riders, as well as to discourage fraud and abuse within the program; and

WHEREAS, the Elk Grove City Council finds that the establishment of the Food Bank Transportation Assistance Pilot Program will provide a valid public benefit; and


WHEREAS, by its nature as a pilot program, some changes to policies and procedures may be needed in order to ensure effective implementation; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (Section 21000, et seq. of the California Public Resources Code) requires review of discretionary actions by public agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby finds that the Food Bank Transportation Assistance Pilot Program is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of Division 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (State CEQA Guidelines) under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. The proposed Food Bank Transportation Assistance Program will involve the distribution of bus passes for use on the City's bus system (*e-tran*). Users of the pass would then ride without paying any additional fare. The rides will be provided on buses that are already in operation and no special trips or operations will be necessary because the bus routes run regardless of the number of passengers. Therefore, because the Program will not result in additional operations of bus services, there is no possibility of a potential effect on the environment and this project qualifies for the identified exemption and no further environmental review is required.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove does hereby approve the establishment of the Food Bank Transportation Assistance Pilot Program and authorizes the City Manager to make changes to the Program's policies and procedures as necessary for effective implementation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 22nd day of June 2011.



STEVEN M. DETRICK, MAYOR of the
CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:



JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



SUSAN COCHRAN, CITY ATTORNEY

**CERTIFICATION
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss
CITY OF ELK GROVE)

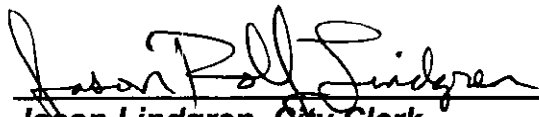
I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on June 22, 2011 by the following vote:

AYES : **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Detrick, Cooper, Davis, Hume, Scherman*

NOES: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSTAIN : **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSENT: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*



**Jason Lindgren, City Clerk
City of Elk Grove, California**