COUNTY OF MADERA BUDGET UNIT EXPENDITURE DETAIL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-13

Unit Title:

APPROPRIATIONS FOR CONTINGENCIES

(09900)

Function:

General Legislative & Administrative General

Activity: Fund:

Genera

EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	APPROPRIATIONS				
	BUDGET 2008-09	BUDGET 2009-10	BUDGET <u>2010-11</u>	BUDGET 2011-12	RECOMMENDED <u>2012-13</u>
Contingencies - General	3,287,133	2,151,798	2,046,793	2,624,416	2,624,416

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COMMENTS

780100 Appropriations for Contingencies - General

The Appropriations for Contingency budget contains funds which are appropriated to meet unforeseen or emergency expenditure requirements, mid-year program initiations, State/Federal matching fund requirements, changes or expansions, and employee compensation and benefits, and serves as a centralized pool of money that reduces the necessity for budgeting maximum amounts in departmental line-item accounts for the 2012-13 Fiscal Year.

The 2012-13 Appropriations for Contingencies is <u>recommended</u> at \$2,624,416, which is unchanged from the previous year. A portion of this funding is anticipated to be required for the following purposes: to cover actual costs related to the two change-of-venue homicide cases being handled by the District Attorney's and Public Defender's Offices, which is not included in their departmental budget; impacts resulting from the implementation of the State Budget and associated trailer bills; and changes to the projected fund balance.

It is recommended that any revenues that may materialize or any budget reductions that may occur be directed to the Appropriations for Contingencies budget. The amount budgeted is considerably low. A prudent contingency fund for a General Fund budget of \$168 million is 3% or approximately \$5,100,000.