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County Board of Supervisors
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335
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Re: County Medical Services Program

Dear Supervisor Leon Williams:

On February 26 the Board of Supervisors will be asked to consider cancelling the CMS program.

While I recognize the fiscal impact of the CMS program, the County has an overriding responsibility to maintain this critical safety net and find alternate sources of funding, if necessary.

At any given time, 25,000 people depend on CMS as their only source of medical care. They can't just be abandoned.

Cancellation of this vital program will also threaten the very existence of 16 community clinics, numerous hospital emergency rooms and our entire trauma program.

I urge you to continue the CMS program.

Sincerely,

Sidney R. Silverman