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### **ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HOLD EARLY BUDGET WORK SESSIONS**

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors will hold two Early Budget Work Sessions next week. The sessions will mark an important early step in the process of developing an Alameda County Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-13.

**The sessions will take place on Monday, April 2, and Tuesday, April 3, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1221 Oak Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Oakland. Both sessions will begin at 1:30 p.m.**

The work sessions will allow officials from County Departments/Agencies to articulate to the Board their anticipated budgetary needs for the coming fiscal year. These needs are based on each department/agency's estimated costs to maintain services at current levels.

Once these estimates are provided, County budget analysts will evaluate them in comparison to the anticipated levels of funding Alameda County expects to have in FY 2012-13. This comparison is used to come up with the estimated Budget Gap that will figure prominently in the process the Board of Supervisors will undergo in the coming months to develop a Final County Budget for FY 2012-13.

Public hearings by the Board in June will mark the final step in that process. By law, Alameda County must have a Final Budget approved by July 1.

Monday's Early Work Session will include presentations by Health Care Services, Social Services, Child Support Services, Sheriff's Office, Probation Department, Public Defender, District Attorney and Fire Department. Tuesday's session will include presentations by the County Library, Public Works Agency, General Services Agency, Human Resource Services, Information Technology, Registrar of Voters, Community Development, Assessor, Treasurer-Tax Collector and Auditor-Controller.