



Legislation Text

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To: Harris County Commissioners Court

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Subject: CCHP Agreements

Project ID (If applicable): 2020-0047, 2020-0031o, 2020-0031n

Purpose and Request:

Request by Community Services for approval of agreements in support of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program (CCHP) totaling \$7,035,074.

Background and Discussion:

On March 27, 2020, the President signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security (CARES) Act to help communities respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. CARES included funding to add capacity to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)'s Emergency Solutions & Community Development Block Grants. The Coalition for the Homeless (CFTH), as lead agency to The Way Home CoC, has recommended the rapid expansion of housing to individuals experiencing homelessness. This Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program (CCHP) will do this in several ways, including via rapid re-housing rental assistance, case management services, income support services, residential rehabilitation service, and comprehensive behavioral health support services.

Rapid Re-housing will provide for medium and/or short-term rental assistance, landlord incentive fees, and case management that includes, but is not limited to, connecting clients with mainstream resources; providing housing search and placement services; and engaging in creative problem-solving conversations. Income Support will provide employment and career counseling and follow-up through job placement and case management and the comprehensive health support and residential rehabilitation services will assist with mental health. The services are designed to build independent living and tenancy skills and connect people with community-based resources necessary for not only obtaining but maintaining housing stability.

Fiscal Impact:

[INSTRUCTIONS: A short description of the cost of the request and where you are requesting funding from. No more than 2 sentences. In addition please fill out the table below. This includes financial impact to the current fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years along with the source of funding (general fund, grant, etc.). If the amount is within the current budget, please indicate the amount from 'Existing Department Budget'. If all of or part of the request is a new expense, please indicate funding source in the space provided.]

Fiscal Summary			
Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY 21-22 Projected	Future Years Projected [3 additional years]

Service Impacted: <i>[Please specify the division where expenditures will be made]</i>			
Existing Budget			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures			
Funding Sources			
Existing Department Budget			
Please Identify Funding Sources: Special Revenue, Grant, etc.			
[INSERT FUNDING SOURCES]			
Total Sources			

Alternatives:

[INSTRUCTIONS: In this section you should briefly discuss any viable alternatives, including the benefits and consequences of each. Include subtitles on the first line of each alternative to identify it. If appropriate, the financial impact of each alternative can be discussed. If taking no action is a viable alternative it should also be discussed, including any financial or other impacts that would result.]

Alignment with Strategic Objective:

[INSTRUCTIONS: Please write out the Department Strategic Objective impacted by this item.]

Attachments:

Agreement with Career and Recovery Resources, Inc.: CCHP - Housing Stability: Income Support (COVID19)
 Agreement with BakerRipley: CCHP - Rapid Re-housing (COVID-19) Agreement with Career and Recovery Resources, Inc.: - CCHP - Rapid Re-housing (COVID-19)
 Agreement with The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD: Community-wide COVID Housing (CCHP) Program (COVID-19)
 Agreement with The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD: CCHP-Harris Center @ Dennis Street (COVID-19)