



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Social Services

Meeting Date: July 12, 2022

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval of Retroactive Agreement with Mendocino County Youth Project in the Amount of \$506,356 for Rapid Re-Housing Services, Housing Case Management Services Necessary to Prevent, Prepare for and Respond to Coronavirus Among Individual Youth and Youth-Led Families with Children Who Are Experiencing Homelessness in Mendocino County, Effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve retroactive Agreement with Mendocino County Youth Project in the amount of \$506,356 for rapid re-housing services, housing case management services necessary to prevent, prepare for and respond to Coronavirus among individual youth and youth-led families with children who are experiencing homelessness in Mendocino County, effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; authorize the Social Services Director or designee to sign any amendments to the Agreement that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

August 18, 2020, Item 4(u), the Board adopted Resolution 20-097 authorizing receipt of Round 1 of the California State Department of Housing and Community Development's Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act funds, not to exceed \$1,410,200.

November 17, 2020, Item 4(o), the Board adopted Resolution 20-157, authorizing receipt of Rounds 1 and 2 of the California State Department of Housing and Community Development's Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act funds, not to exceed \$5,463,823.

Summary of Request:

On October 2, 2020, the Department of Housing and Community Development released a Notice of Funding Availability (Round 2) for the Emergency Solutions Grant Program-Coronavirus (ESG-CV), funded through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act passed by Congress on March 27, 2020. The ESG-CV program provides funding to prevent, prepare for and respond to Coronavirus among individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness or receiving homeless assistance, and to support additional homeless assistance and homeless prevention activities to mitigate the impacts created by Coronavirus.

The proposed Agreement with the Mendocino County Youth Project provides for the implementation of new

homeless service projects in Mendocino County. The project is Rapid Rehousing, which provides for the hiring of 1.0 FTE Rapid Rehousing Case Manager and funding to assist with housing application fees, short- and medium-term rental assistance, security deposits, utility deposits and payments, landlord signing bonuses up to three times the monthly rent amount, and landlord mitigation funds for tenant caused damages. Additionally, these positions will work to address racial disproportionality in homeless populations to achieve the equitable provision of services for Black, Native and Indigenous, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islanders and other people of color who are disproportionately impacted by homelessness and Coronavirus. All services provided under the proposed Agreement will be recorded in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

The proposed Agreement is retroactive due to lengthy communication and programmatic decision-making with the contractor related to the allowable use of funds and the appropriate project scope. Although the majority of staffing and other expenses have not yet been incurred, there are minimal administrative start-up costs associated with this project backdated to October 1, 2022.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return to staff for alternative handling.

How does this Item Support the General Plan? This Agreement furthers the General Plan Housing Element Policy Actions 4.3d and 4.3e, as the grant is administered by Mendocino County Social Services on behalf of the Mendocino County Homeless Services Continuum of Care.

Does This Item Support the General Plan? N/A

Strategic Plan Priority Designation: A Safe and Healthy County

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At:

<https://hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-funding/esg.shtml>

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: Grant: 20-ESGCV1-00039

current f/y cost: \$506,356

annual recurring cost: N/A

budget clarification:

budgeted in current f/y: Yes

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: No

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Executive Office

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk II

Date: July 13, 2022

Final Status: Approved

Executed Item Type: Agreement Number: 22-181

