



Public Hearing

Submittal of the Fiscal Year 2021/2022

Action Plan to U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development (HUD) and
Approval of Funding Recommendations

City Council Meeting
April 27, 2021

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Summary

- Purpose: Authorize Plan submission
 - Required by HUD to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investments Partnership Act (HOME) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) grants
- Due May 15 to HUD
- Council action requested:
 - Authorize submittal of Plan
 - Approve funding recommendations

Background

- HUD requires Annual Plan to:
 - Define how federal funds will be spent
 - Identify housing and community development needs, priorities, goals, strategies
- Template provided by HUD
 - 2020 – 2024 Amended Consolidated Plan, submitted every 5 years, used as guide for Action Plan

Background

- Action Plan Goals – 1st Priority
 - Increase supply of affordable rental housing for low-income households;
 - Provide housing assistance/support for low-income households with HIV/AIDS;
 - Preserve existing affordable housing stock;
 - Provide housing and services to special needs populations

Background

- Action Plan Goals – 2nd priority if there is additional funding
 - Increase access to homeownership;
 - Provide funding for public facilities/improvements; and
 - Promote economic development

Background

- Fiscal Year 2021/2022 allocations:

Funding Resource	Grant Amount	Program Income	Total
CDBG	\$1,476,993	\$60,000	\$1,536,993
HOME	\$755,307	\$60,000	\$815,307
HOPWA	\$454,734	\$0	\$454,734
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$2,687,034</i>	<i>\$120,000</i>	<i>\$2,807,034</i>

- Note: Program Income = gross income directly generated from use of above funds

Outreach & Public Comments

- Community Meeting February 16, 2021
- Continuum of Care Listserv
- Social & traditional media announcements:
 - Solicitation of comments on Plan
 - Public Hearing Notice for tonight
- Draft Plan available for review/comment
March 2, 2021 – April 2, 2021 online and by
email upon request

Outreach & Public Comments

- Encourage ongoing comment up to and including tonight's Public Hearing through:
 - HCS webpage and City's main page
 - *City Connections* newsletter
- Public Comments received to date included in draft Plan
- Public Comments received at Public Hearing will be included prior to submittal to HUD

Annual Funding – CDBG

- Up to 15% of CDBG for public services
- Council direction: Provide focused, comprehensive homeless services through coordinated entry operation of facilities
- Recommendation: Proposals that most closely meet Council direction:
 - \$96,000 Catholic Charities – Family Support Center
 - \$102,000 Catholic Charities - Homeless Services Center
 - \$32,549 The Living Room Center

Annual Funding – Fair Housing

- Federally-mandated program
 - Criteria: Responsiveness to 2012 Sonoma County Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing
- Recommendation
 - Fair Housing of Northern California
 - \$36,000 from Real Property Transfer Tax (General Fund)

Annual Funding – HOPWA

- Federal Grant \$454,734
 - Recommendation
 - Face to Face \$441,092
 - Balance of \$13,642 (3% of grant amount) used by City for administration

Annual Results - Reporting

- Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER): 2,069 homeless individuals served by public services funding (\$198,980)
- Fiscal Year 2019/2020 HOPWA CAPER:
 - 73 Households - Housing Subsidy Assistance
 - 231 Households - Supportive Services
 - 193 Households - Housing Information

Annual Results - Reporting

- Fair Housing - reduce discriminatory housing activities through:
 - Complaint intake
 - Training
 - Testing
 - Counseling
 - Renter Seminars
 - Higher visibility

Annual Results - Reporting

- Fair Housing Population Served by Income Level:

Extremely Low-Income (< 30% AMI)	Very Low-Income (31% - 50% AMI)	Low-Income (51% - 80% AMI)	Non Low/Mod-Income (> 80% AMI)	Did Not Disclose
47%	23%	8%	15%	7%

Recommendation

It is recommended by the Housing & Community Services Department that the Council, by resolution, authorize submittal of the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); approve the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Grant Agreements for public services, fair housing, and HOPWA funds in the estimated total amount of \$707,641; authorize the Director of HCS, or its designee to execute the Grant Agreements with service providers; and authority the City Manager to execute the annual federal funding agreements with HUD and any additional forms or documents required by HUD to implement the FY 2021/2022 Action Plan.

Questions?