HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Department Overview

- The Recommended Budget for the Housing and Community Development Department contains \$32.6 million in expenditures, financed by \$19.8 million in program revenue, \$8.9 million in General Fund Contribution (GFC), and \$3.7 million in fund balance use.
- The Recommended Budget for HCD department includes 103 positions, a net increase of four positions from FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget. The additional positions include two Code Compliance Inspector II for Ordinance Enforcement, one Office Assistant and one Water Recourses Technician.
- Housing and Community Development includes Housing and Community Development Programs, Building Services, Planning Services, Permit Center, Environmental Services, and Code Compliance. HCD serves as the lead agency for all development in the unincorporated areas of the County and coordinates with land use agencies like Environmental Health, Fire, and others.

HCD General Fund Units



FY2022-23 Augmentation Requests

• Housing Administration:

- Housekeys This service is a qualified HUD administrator and provides orientations and workshops for Monterey County residents. They also provide documentation of inventory and administration of programs. Housekeys is assisting with new applications, sale and resale applications, refinancing requests and default monitoring. (\$120,000)
- Local Housing Trust Fund This will ensure long-term housing financing that is needed for the development of affordable housing. The goal is to reach \$1M over 5 years. The program will ensure long-term housing financing needs for the development of affordable housing (\$200,000)

Department Programs

• On Call Services

- Building Services Contract Plan check and inspections services continue to be necessary to maintain the 6-to-8-week goal of plan review and field inspections. This includes work performed for Environmental Service and Engineering. (\$200,000)
- Planning Contract services include environmental reviews and will assist the Department in managing the initial studies, EIR Amendments and Administrative Permits. Also, will assist in working through the current backlog, currently there are over 200 planning projects. (\$200,000)

County Programs

- Salinas Valley Ground Basin Investigation Completion of the SVGBI was expected by the close of FY2022, but some delays in the accessibility of the USGS model have pushed back to expected completion date into FY2023. (\$96,000)
- Fire Fuel Mitigation Funding is critical for the documentation of the Forest Health and Fire Resilience Public Works Program (PWP). The project was expected to be completed in FY2022 but has experienced delays and is expected to be completed by December 2022. (\$32,000)
- General Plan The General Plan contains a total of eight (8) elements with goals, polices and regulations that govern the long-term plan for the County. The augmentation would support the preparation of the 6th Cycle Housing Element, revision to the Safety Element and the preparation of a new Environmental Justice Element, which are required by law. (\$560,000)