



Monterey County Board of Supervisors

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Board Order

A motion was made by Supervisor Chris Lopez, seconded by Supervisor Luis A. Alejo to Adopt Resolution No. 19-314 to:

- a. Authorize the County of Monterey's participation in one-time Housing Funds for Whole Person Care Pilots funding opportunity available as a result of AB 74, the Budget Act of 2019 (Chapter 23, Statutes of 2019); and
- b. Approve and authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to submit an application, in the form of a Letter of Interest, for one-time housing funds for Whole Person Care Pilots in the amount of \$2,407,786.57 as allocated by the State of California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), for the costs of long-term and short-term housing, such as hotel vouchers and rental subsidies, as well as capital investment for housing projects for Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are mentally ill and are experiencing homelessness, or are at risk of homelessness; and
- c. Should the County receive the funding in the amount of \$2,407,786.57, authorize the Director of Health or the Assistant Director of Health to enter into, execute, and deliver any and all agreements and other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to evidence

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 17th day of September 2019, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Lopez, Phillips, Parker and Adams
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting September 17, 2019.

Dated: September 19, 2019
File ID: RES 19-122
Agenda Item No. 23

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California


Julian Lorenzana, Deputy

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

Resolution No.: 19-314

- Adopt a Resolution to:)
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Funds for Whole Person Care Pilots funding opportunity available as a result)
of AB 74, the Budget Act of 2019 (Chapter 23, Statutes of 2019);)
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time housing funds for Whole Person Care Pilots in the amount of)
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housing projects for Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are mentally ill and are)
experiencing homelessness, or are at risk of homelessness;)
- c. Should the County receive the funding in the amount of \$2,407,786.57,)
authorize the Director of Health or the Assistant Director of Health to enter)
into, execute, and deliver any and all agreements and other documents)
required or deemed necessary or appropriate to evidence and secure the one-)
time Housing Funds for Whole Person Care Pilots, the County’s obligations)
related thereto, and all amendments thereto, subject to review and approval)
by County Counsel and County Auditor-Controller.....)

WHEREAS, the Whole Person Care (WPC) Pilot is a five-year program conducted by the Health Department of the County of Monterey and authorized under California’s Medi-Cal 2020 waiver to coordinate physical health, behavioral health, and social services for homeless Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are high users of hospital systems and are at risk for continued poor health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, California’s Governor Gavin C. Newsom and the California Legislature have recognized the critical role Whole Person Care Pilot programs play in reducing homelessness for those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, The Governor, Legislature, and this County recognize the need for flexible state-only funding for new services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are living with mental illness who are also homeless or at risk of homelessness; as well as additional risk populations; and

WHEREAS, The Governor and Legislature have allocated \$100 million dollars in one-time State General Fund housing funds for Fiscal Year 2019-20 to Whole Person Care Pilot programs; and

WHEREAS, The Governor and Legislature have directed Whole Person Care Pilot programs to leverage other available funding for this purpose and prohibited any supplantation of existing funding or services in order to maximize the impact of Housing Funds for Whole Person Care Pilot programs; and

WHEREAS, The Governor and Legislature require Whole Person Care Pilot programs that receive Housing Funds for Whole Person Care Pilot programs to expend the funding no later than June 30, 2025, and further stipulate that services provided with this funding must comply with all Housing First principles as defined in California Welfare and Institutions Code §8255-8256; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey designates the Director of Health or the Assistant Director of Health as the point of contact to the Department of Health Care Services for the Housing Funds for Whole Person Care Pilot programs allocation; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey affirms the county's commitment to combatting homelessness and improving housing options for residents living with mental illness and who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, or additional at-risk populations in our communities pursuant to the provisions of SB 74 and the receipt of Housing Funds for the Whole Person Care Pilot programs; and

WHEREAS, the DHCS's allocation to Monterey County of these funds, based on the County's prevalence of homelessness, cost of living, prevalence of individuals who are mentally ill and are experiencing homelessness, and the County's Whole Person Care Pilot Program performance, is \$2,407,786.57; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department recommends this funding allocation be layered on received funds resulting from County's pending No Place Like Home award as decided by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. The Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau is currently leading the effort to apply for No Place Like Home funds to acquire, design, construct, rehabilitate, or preserve permanent supportive housing for persons who are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or who are at risk of chronic homelessness, and who are in need of mental health services. The first phase of the No Place Like Home funding application was the updating of the County's Continuum of Care's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness, otherwise known as Lead Me Home.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Monterey County Board of Supervisors hereby resolved to approve the following:

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- c. Should the County receive the funding in the amount of \$2,407,786.57, authorize the Director of Health or the Assistant Director of Health to enter into, execute, and deliver any and all agreements and other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to evidence and secure the one-time Housing Funds for Whole Person Care Pilots, the County's obligations related thereto, and all amendments thereto, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and County Auditor-Controller.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 17th day of September 2019, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Lopez, Phillips, Parker and Adams

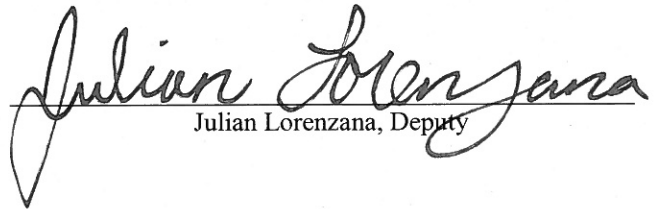
NOES: None

ABSENT: None

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