



Board Report

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Consider a resolution to:

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- b. Authorize the Director of Social Services to submit a budget modification to the HHAP Round 1 budget to move funds to support urgent services for homeless including implementation of Project Homekey in Monterey County;
- c. Approve an increase in appropriations and estimated revenues of \$582,314 for Social Services Community Programs Budget Unit 001-5010-SOC004-8258 in the FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget; financed by HHAP Round 1 and 2 funding (4/5th vote required); and
- d. Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget by increasing appropriations and estimated revenues by \$582,314 in Social Services Community Programs Adopted Budget 001-5010-SOC004-8258 (4/5th Vote Required).

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution to:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

HHAP Round II

The Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) announced the availability of a \$300 million block grant with the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 2 in a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) dated November 13, 2020. On November 24, 2020, the application for funding was made available to applicants with a due date of January 23, 2021. This grant is over the counter and non-competitive. This second round of HHAP funding was authorized by AB 83 (Committee on Budget, Chapter 15, Statutes of 2020) and was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on June 29, 2020. Building on the regional coordination created through previous HCFC grant funding, this funding is intended to support local jurisdictions in their unified regional response to reduce and end homelessness.

The application will request \$1,207,830 in HHAP funding, the use of which will be prioritized to assist people experiencing literal homelessness move into safe, stable housing, with a particular focus on rehousing

individuals currently living in Project Roomkey (PRK) sites. HHAP funding should be housing-focused -- either funding permanent housing interventions directly or, if used for shelter or street outreach, have clear pathways to connect people to permanent housing options. HHAP Round 2 is designed to build on regional coordination developed through previous rounds of HCFC Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP), HHAP, and COVID-19 funding. Staff recommends that Round 2 funds be used to continue to build regional coordination and a unified regional response to reduce and end homelessness. HHAP Round 2 funds may be spent for a period of five years, FY 2020/21 through FY 2024/25.

The County will apply for HHAP Round 2 to support the new shelter operator in their shelter operations and rapid rehousing efforts. Attachment 2 details the funding amounts and the required youth set aside of eight percent.

HHAP Round 1 Budget Modification:

HHAP Round 1 (\$2,642,128.26) requires a budget modification to mainly ensure funds are available for the implementation of Project Homekey, support for the California State Monterey Bay (CSUMB) Homeless Outreach Team, and funding to support the final furnishings and equipment for the new navigation center opening in Salinas. HHAP Round 1 funds may be spent for a period of five years, FY 2020/21 through FY 2024/25. Attachment 1 details the budget modifications.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Department of Social Services is working with Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the Continuum of Care on the HHAP 2 application to ensure regional homeless goals and needs will be met.

FINANCING:

HHAP Round 1 is \$2,642,128.26 and Round 2 is \$1,207,830 for an overall total of \$3,849,958.26. This is funded through the California Homeless Coordinating Financing Council (HCFC) in the Business Consumers Services and Housing Agency (BCSH). During the June 2020 Budget Hearings, \$423,125 of appropriations were approved and an additional 582,314 is needed for the remaining fiscal year; for a total of \$1,005,439 for FY 2020-21.

This action increases appropriations and revenues for the FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget for Fund 001, Community Programs Appropriation Unit SOC004, revenue by \$582,314 funded by HHAP Round 1 (\$560,236) and Round 2 (\$22,078). The balance of Round 1 and 2 will be included in future budget cycles.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The housing program priorities and objectives advance the Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives that promote the production of diverse, safe, healthy and affordable housing opportunities for all residents of Monterey County.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

- ☐ Economic Development
- ☐ Administration
- ☒ Health & Human Services
- ☐ Infrastructure
- ☐ Public Safety

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Attachments:

Resolution

Attachment 1: HHAP Round 1 Budget Modification

Attachment 2: HHAP Round 2 Budget Planning Document