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Hey,

Thanks for inviting me to participate in tonight's panel. Out of deference to the local providers, I figured it better to just provide this written update.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!



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To: City of Madison/Dane County Homeless Issues Committee

From: Michael Basford, Director, Wisconsin Interagency Council on Homelessness

As you're meeting this evening to hear from your local providers on unsheltered homelessness in Dane County, I wish to share with you some information about the State of Wisconsin's response to concerns over unsheltered homelessness during the winter months.

Last summer's Point-in-Time count showed that a main effect of the coronavirus pandemic and accompanying economic downturn continued to be unprecedented numbers of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness throughout the state. In response to growing concerns that many of these people would remain unsheltered as winter began, Governor Evers announced in November the creation of the Safe Shelter and Homelessness Grants (SSHG) program. This program was funded by the state's allocation from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. \$6 million was provided for emergency shelters, domestic abuse shelters, and youth homelessness and runaway centers for the winters of 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

Out of that fund, over \$3.2 million was allocated to emergency shelters and homelessness services agencies in every area of the state. Dane County (through the Salvation Army, Porchlight, and YWCA-Madison) received \$600,000 to use through the end of April this year to increase capacity so that more people who were experiencing unsheltered homelessness could be served.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at mike.basford@wisconsin.gov or (608) 266-3633 if you have any questions regarding this or other State of Wisconsin homelessness programming.