Memo



From: Linette Rhodes and Sarah Lim

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Re: Emergency Solutions Grant, Transitional Housing Program, Homeless Prevention

Program (ETH)

Annually, the Wisconsin Department of Administration's Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources determines award levels for its homeless-focused ETH program. Funding levels are based on a formula that uses data from monthly homeless censuses, as well as data on poverty, unemployment and population. The recently announced 2017-2018 award totals \$545,423.

ETH funding for the Madison/Dane County area is administered by the City of Madison Community Development Division on behalf of the local Continuum of Care (CoC). As part of its work to prepare the annual ETH application and administer ETH funds, City staff works regularly with a group of community-based nonprofit organizations that provide services and housing to homeless persons and those at risk of becoming homeless. These efforts set the stage for selection and approval of projects in five specific areas by the local CoC board of directors. Designated program areas include the following: (1) homeless prevention, (2) street outreach, (3) rapid re-housing, (4) emergency shelter and (5) transitional housing; plus Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

CDD staff requests the CDBG Committee approve the attached slate of 2017-2018 projects, previously approved by local Continuum of Care's board of directors, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute contracts with the State and with selected homeless services agencies.

2017-2018 ETH Slate of Projects

Briarpatch Youth Services, Inc. - up to \$25,000 (ESG) for Youth Street Outreach to provide outreach and supportive services for unsheltered homeless youth under age 18 and young adults; and up to \$15,450 (THP) for Transitional Living Program to provide supportive services for homeless youth between 18-21 years of age.

Institute for Community Alliances, Inc. - \$3,900 (ESG) for HMIS Lead Agency Services, including Wisconsin ServicePoint (WISP) training and support.

Legal Action of WI, Inc. - up to \$13,700 (ESG) for Legal Services to prevent evictions for at risk households. In the event that the State awards up to an additional \$40,000 in bonus ESG funding to the City, those funds will go to LAW to start the Dane County Eviction Defense Project.

Porchlight, Inc. - up to \$17,050 (THP) for STABLE Program to pay for supportive services and operation to serve homeless single women with substance abuse issues; and up to \$25,000 (ESG) for Men's Drop-In Shelter to provide case management for single men identified through the Men's Drop-In Shelter.

The Road Home Dane County, Inc. - up to \$20,000 (ESG) for Family Shelter to provide case management for homeless families.

The Salvation Army Dane County - up to \$25,000 (ESG) for Family Shelter to provide case management for homeless families; up to \$25,000 for Single Women's Shelter to provide case management for homeless single women; up to \$65,000 for Rapid Rehousing for homeless families; up to \$65,000 for Rapid Rehousing for homeless single women; and up to \$8,500 for Medical Vouchers which provides motel vouchers for homeless persons with medical needs that cannot be accommodated in traditional shelter.

Tenant Resource Center, Inc. - up to \$11,000 (ESG) for Housing Mediation Services at the small claims court; up to \$67,550 (ESG) and up to \$62,438 (HPP) for Eviction Prevention Clinic to provide direct rental assistance and housing counseling and housing stabilization services to prevent homelessness, up to \$30,467 (ESG) and up to \$39,909 (HPP) Rapid Rehousing to provide financial assistance and housing stabilization services for homeless single adults.

YWCA of Madison, Inc. - up to \$16,800 (ESG) for Family Shelter pay for the shelter operation.

City of Madison – up to \$15,000 for administration of the ETH program.