



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The proposed Resolution amends the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget for the Community Development Division (CDD) to reflect the actual grant award amounts for the Continuum of Care grant program. The EHH grant award combines funds from the State of Wisconsin Housing Assistance Program (HAP), Homeless Prevention Program (HPP), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The 2021 Adopted Budget anticipated a grant of \$690,000. Under the proposed amendment, CDD's 2021 Adopted Budget will reflect the following reductions:

- Revenue: (\$40,000)
- Purchased Services: (\$40,000)

This Resolution also authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute agreements with the nonprofit agencies, specified below and in the attachment, to provide services using these EHH funds.

Title

Authorizing the City of Madison, on behalf of the Dane County Continuum of Care (CoC), to accept an aggregate EHH grant award of up to \$650,000 from the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration; authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute agreements with specific Dane County CoC agencies selected by the CoC Board of Directors to receive the EHH funds; and amending the Community Development Division's 2021 Adopted Operating Budget to reflect receipt of the funds.

Body

BACKGROUND

The City of Madison works closely with Dane County CoC member agencies that serve people experiencing homelessness and those at risk of becoming homeless, and provides leadership and administrative support to the group. This collaborative work includes the City's administration of the State of Wisconsin EHH grant (EHH) on behalf of the Dane County CoC. EHH funds combine the HUD Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), State of Wisconsin Homeless Prevention Program (HPP) and Housing Assistance Program (HAP), and support the following eligible activities: emergency shelter, street outreach, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing and other housing programs, the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), and administration. The State Department of Administration's Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources ("the State") annually distributes available funds among four Wisconsin Continua of Care (CoC) serving Dane, Milwaukee, Racine, and the Balance of State. Funding allocations among the CoCs are determined based on a formula that considers various factors including Point in Time survey counts and system performance. The Dane County CoC Board of Directors, using an open-competitive process, determines the specific agencies and uses for which State EHH funds are used.

The State awarded the Dane County CoC \$650,000 in EHH funds in the 2020-2021 grant cycle. Following the notice of award, the City will enter into contracts with the nonprofit agencies identified below to provide the activities indicated.

2021-2022 EHH funds (\$650,000)

(for use during the period from July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022)

- **Briarpatch Youth Services** - Up to \$10,000 (ESG) for street outreach services targeting youth experiencing homelessness

- **Catalyst for Change** - Up to \$26,800 (ESG) for street outreach services for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness
- **Madison Area Care for the Homeless - OneHealth** - Up to \$10,000 (ESG) for street outreach and service coordination for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness in need of medical services
- **Porchlight, Inc.** - Up to \$9,225 (ESG) for case management services for guests at the Men's Drop-In Shelter
- **Sankofa Educational Leadership United** - Up to \$75,000 (ESG) for Supporting Healthy Families Emergency Shelter, a hotel-based emergency shelter program serving families and singles
- **Shelter from the Storm Ministries, Inc.** - Up to \$11,000 (HAP) for supportive services at Shelter from the Storm's transitional housing program; and up to \$40,975 (\$20,000 ESG plus \$20,975 HPP) for its Rapid Rehousing program for families and singles
- **Tenant Resource Center, Inc.** - Up to \$40,000 (ESG) for housing mediation services; and up to \$150,000 (\$16,975 ESG plus \$133,025 HPP) for eviction prevention rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services
- **The Road Home Dane County, Inc.** - Up to \$15,000 (HAP) for supportive services at The Breese Apartments permanent housing program; and up to \$15,000 (HAP) for supportive services at the Tailor Place permanent housing program
- **The Salvation Army Dane County** - Up to \$30,000 (ESG) for case management services at the Family Shelter; up to \$30,000 (ESG) for case management services at the Single Women's Shelter; up to \$70,000 (\$33,475 ESG plus \$36,525 HPP) for rapid rehousing case management services and rent subsidies for families; up to \$85,000 (\$66,525 ESG, \$9,475 HPP, and \$9,000 HAP) for rapid rehousing case management services and rent subsidies for singles; and up to \$10,000 (ESG) for medical motel vouchers for persons who, because of medical needs, cannot be accommodated at traditional shelters
- **YWCA of Madison, Inc.** - Up to \$10,000 (ESG) for Family Shelter
- The City's **Community Development Division** will administer the above contracts and will retain up to \$12,000 of the ESG funds for administration costs associated with contract management.

ACTION

WHEREAS, the Common Council has adopted the 2020-2024 City of Madison Consolidated Plan, which identifies homelessness as a critical issue within the community and outlines a set of strategies and priorities to address those problems using community-based groups; and,

WHEREAS, City Community Development Division staff has worked collaboratively with the Dane County CoC to assess community needs and develop a list of projects for submission to the State for EHH funds on behalf of the CoC; and,

WHEREAS, the Dane County CoC Board of Directors, which is charged with determining the content of the CoC's EHH application, approved the slate of projects listed above at its June 24, 2021 meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute agreements with the State and accept the EHH awards described above; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into contracts with the specific nonprofit agencies listed herein to provide the specified services for people experiencing homelessness and those at risk of becoming homeless; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby amends the 2021 Operating Budget of the Community Development Division to recognize the specified grant revenue and commensurate expenditures.