

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: January 3, 2023

DATE: Wednesday, December 28, 2022
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Amber Howell, Director, Human Services Agency (775) 785-8600, ahowell@washoecounty.gov
THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager
SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing 2 Program Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), in the amount of [\$136,382.00; \$34,096.00 county match] to provide housing and supportive services for homeless families retroactive for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the agreement; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

The Agency is requesting the Board accept a third Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing 2 Program Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), in the amount of [\$136,382.00; \$34,096.00 county match] to provide housing and supportive services for homeless families retroactive for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: <u>Vulnerable Populations</u>

PREVIOUS ACTION

On January 25, 2022, the Board approved agenda item #6. F.3, the 2020 Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing Program Grant in the amount of \$119,714.00; with a required county match of \$29,929.00 for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

On March 9, 2021, the Board approved agenda item #6. E.4, the 2019 Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing Program Grant in the amount of \$102,650; with a required county match of \$25,663 for the period of February 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022.

BACKGROUND

This grant from HUD for the Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing Program will expand the number of homeless families that Washoe County can assist with housing. This HUD grant and county match supports housing and supportive services costs (rent, utilities, and case management) necessary to assist individuals with their transition from homelessness to maintaining housing.

Under the Permanent Supportive Housing Program, Washoe County acts as the housing coordinator and provides case management and supportive services necessary to help the families maintain their housing. Grant funds are used to provide for rental assistance for scattered-site housing; County matching funds are used to provide additional supportive services, program, and fiscal and grant management.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name:	2021 Continuum of Care	
	Permanent Supportive Housing Program 2	

Scope of the Project: This program provides housing and supportive services for approximately ten chronically homeless families that have a disabled household member.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Provides housing and supportive services to chronically homeless families to help stabilize them and reduce the dependency on emergency community resources.

On-Going Program Support: This grant is expected to renew annually by HUD. Washoe County Human Services Agency already provides services to families in the homeless shelter and would continue to provide case management support (though not tenant based rental assistance) for these families should the grant fail to be renewed or could no longer be funded.

Award Amount:	\$136,382.00 (\$136,382.00 Direct / \$0 Indirect)		
Grant Period:	January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023		
Funding Source:	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
Pass Through Entity:	N/A		
CFDA Number:	14.267		
Grant ID Number:	NV0141L9T012102		
Match Amount and Type:	\$34,096.00 cash match		
Sub-Awards and Contracts: N/A			

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund (F223) FY23 adopted budget will be increased by \$136,382.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Account <u>Number</u>		Description	Amount of Increase/(Decrease)	
IO 12125	-431100	Federal Grants	\$	136,382.00
		Total Revenue	\$	136,382.00
IO 12125	-710734	Residential Assistance	\$	136,382.00
		Total Expenditures	\$	136,382.00

No indirect funds are included in the grant award. Funding for the match requirement is included in the Agency's adopted FY23 budget, the match internal order will be 60930.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept a Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing 2 Program Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), in the amount of [\$136,382.00; \$34,096.00 county match] to provide housing and supportive services for homeless families retroactive for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the agreement; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "move to accept a Continuum of Care – Permanent Supportive Housing 2 Program Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), in the amount of [\$136,382.00; \$34,096.00 county match] to provide housing and supportive services for homeless families retroactive for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the agreement; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."