

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 3/26/2024

File #: 24-290

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Social Services

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Funding Made Available through the California Department of Housing and Community Development's Transitional Housing Program and Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Adopt the attached resolution which authorizes the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services Director, or a designee thereof, to accept funding made available through the California Department of Housing and Community Development's Transitional Housing Program in the amount of \$219,780 and Housing Navigation and Maintenance program in the amount of \$110,545; and
- 2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed certified copy of the attached resolution to the Department of Health and Human Services Contract Unit for submission to the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Social Services Fund (1110-518); California Department of Housing and Community Development's Transitional Housing and Housing Navigation and Maintenance Programs

DISCUSSION:

On October 24, 2023, the California Department of Housing and Community Development ("HCD") issued Allocation Acceptance Forms under the Transitional Housing Program ("THP"), as authorized by Sections 50807, *et seq.* of the California Health and Safety Code, and the Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program ("HNMP"), as authorized by Sections 508011, *et seq.* of the California Health and Safety Code.

On November 15, 2023, the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services ("DHHS") submitted applications for THP and HNMP funding to HCD in accordance with the requirements of the Allocation Acceptance Forms dated October 24, 2023. If accepted, DHHS - Child Welfare Services

will use such THP and HNMP funding to support eligible activities, as approved by HCD, which include, without limitation: assisting young adults between eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24) years of age with securing and maintaining housing; improving coordination of essential services and key community resources, including, without limitation, those from within the child welfare system and the local Continuum of Care; engaging in outreach programs that are designed to serve individuals with the most severe needs; providing case management services, including, without limitation, emergency supports to foster youth.

HCD requires that each applicant for THP and HNMP funding adopt a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a State of California Standard Agreement, and any amendments thereto, along with any and all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to accept THP and HNMP funding. Accordingly, DHHS recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution, which authorizes the DHHS Director, or a designee thereof, to accept any and all THP and HNMP funding made available by HCD.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The attached resolution will allow the DHHS Director, or a designee thereof, to accept THP funding in the amount of Two Hundred Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$219,780.00) and HNMP funding in the amount of One Hundred Ten Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$110,545.00) for DHHS - Social Services budget unit 1110-518. Acceptance of the available THP and HNMP funding will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Acceptance of the available THP and HNMP funding may affect current staffing levels by increasing workload, expanding staff hours and creating additional positions.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

The recommended actions support the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Framework by protecting vulnerable populations, creating opportunities for improved safety and health and providing community-appropriate levels of service.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may choose not to adopt the attached resolution authorizing the DHHS Director, or a designee thereof, to accept THP and HNMD funding made available by HCD. However, this alternative is not recommended since it will not allow the County of Humboldt to obtain funding that would be used to support vulnerable youth experiencing homelessness.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Funding Made Available through the California Department of Housing and Community Development's Transitional Housing Program and Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program

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- 2. Transitional Housing Program and Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program Allocation Acceptance Forms
- 3. State of California Government Agency Taxpayer Identification

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: C-46, C-21, C-20, C-21 C-9, C-10 Meeting of: 6/27/23, 11/29/2022, 12/7/2021, 5/5/2020

File No.: 23-840; 22-1487; 21-1724; 21-1721; 20-486; 20-487