



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Community Services
Department No.: 057
For Agenda Of: October 5, 2021
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Shelter Operations General Fund Agreements FY 21-22

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Shelter Operations General Fund Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter to support and maintain service levels at the Bridgehouse Shelter, Santa Maria Shelter and Family Shelter, for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$213,649 (Attachment A);
- b) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Shelter Operations General Fund Agreement with PATH Santa Barbara to support and maintain service levels at the PATH Santa Barbara Emergency Shelter, for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$131,351 (Attachment B);
- c) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Warming Center General Fund Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter (Formerly with Unitarian Society) to support and maintain service levels at the Warming Centers, for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 (Attachment C);
- d) Determine that the recommended actions are not the acceptance and approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the project is a creation of government

funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

In the FY 2021-22 budget, the Board approved \$345,000 and \$80,000 in General Fund contribution toward the operation of four homeless shelters in North and South County and the Freedom Warming Centers, respectively. General Fund Shelter grant amounts are determined by the number of bed nights provided in the prior fiscal year. The 2021-22 recommended allocation, of \$131,351 to PATH Santa Barbara, detailed in the chart below reflects a 18.05% increase in the number of shelter bed nights provided by PATH Santa Barbara Emergency Shelter between 2019-20 and 2020-21. The 2021-22 recommended allocation, of \$213,649 to Good Samaritan Shelter, detailed in the chart below reflects a 17.47% decrease in the number of shelter bed nights provided by Good Samaritan Shelter between 2019-20 and 2020-21. A change greater than 10% requires Board approval to amend the renewed Board Contract for the 2021-22 agreement. Staff recommends the Board approve the General Fund Shelter Operations Agreements for PATH Santa Barbara Emergency Shelter and Good Samaritan Shelter as reflected in Table 1.

Of the \$425,000 in General Fund Shelter Funding, \$80,000 was awarded to the Unitarian Society for the operations of Warming Centers. However, upon further consideration, Unitarian Society elected to return the funds to the Community Services Department (CSD) before an Agreement was executed. This funding has been contracted to Good Samaritan Shelter to administer the Freedom Warming Centers, in the amount of \$80,000, under the parameters set by the Board.

Background:

General Fund contributions for Good Samaritan Shelter and PATH Santa Barbara Emergency Shelter have been allocated on a pro rata basis according to the number of emergency shelter beds reported during the preceding fiscal year. Good Samaritan Warming Centers (formerly the Unitarian Society’s Freedom Warming Centers) also receive a General Fund contribution of \$80,000 each fiscal year. The table below shows the 2020-21 bed night data with percentage distribution resulting in the FY 2021-22 allocations for the four traditional emergency shelter locations (PATH Santa Barbara, Bridgehouse Emergency Shelter, Santa Maria Emergency Shelter, and Family Shelter) as well as the Freedom Warming Centers.

Table 1. Shelter Bed Night and Allocation Chart

Shelter	Operator	FY 20-21 Bed Nights	FY 20-21 % Shelter Beds	FY 21-22 Calculated Contract Amounts	FY 21-22 Contract Amount
Bridgehouse Shelter, SM Shelter, Family Shelter	Good Samaritan Shelter	44,649	61.93%	\$213,649	\$213,649
PATH Emergency Shelter	PATH	27,450	38.07%	\$131,351	\$131,351
Freedom Warming Centers	Good Samaritan Shelter	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$ 80,000
TOTAL		72,099	100.00%	\$345,000	\$425,000

Performance Measures:

Each sub-recipient has included the following performance goals for the 21-22 year (Table 2). In addition, all providers work to provide housing and other critical services to shelter guests.

Table 2. Performance Measures

Provider	Performance Measures	Goal
Good Samaritan Shelter (Shelter Operations)	Bridgehouse Shelter	
	Beds provided	32,850
	Unduplicated number of persons served	500
	Unduplicated number of households served	150
	Santa Maria Shelter	
	Beds provided	47,450
	Unduplicated number of persons served	700
	Unduplicated number of households served	300
	Family Shelter	
	Beds provided	18,980
	Unduplicated number of persons served	70
	Unduplicated number of households served	30
PATH Santa Barbara	Beds provided	41,500
	Unduplicated number of persons served	750
	Unduplicated number of households served	710
Good Samaritan Shelter (Warming Centers) *	Beds provided	5,492
	Unduplicated number of persons served	450
	Unduplicated number of households served	400

* Warming centers activation season was from November 15, 2020 – March 31, 2021. Warming centers are only activated when an overnight temperature of 35 degrees or less is predicted; or 50 % chance of rain is predicted during activation season. Bed nights were based on an estimated 159 warming shelter activations.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

When invoicing the County, PATH Santa Barbara, and Good Samaritan will submit a Quarterly Status Report providing information on accomplishments including but not limited to beds provided, number of participants moved into housing at project exit, and data on race and ethnicity as well as homeless subpopulations. Good Samaritan and PATH will be reimbursed on a quarterly basis, and staff will continue to monitor reporting and expenditure documentation to ensure all reimbursements are fully supported.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund- Good Sam	\$ 213,649.00		
General Fund- PATH	\$ 131,351.00		
Good Sam- Warming Centers	\$ 80,000.00		
Total	\$ 425,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

All shelter costs are for the 21-22 fiscal year based on the previous year’s share of bed nights.

Key Contract Risks:

The Shelter Operations General Fund Agreements are cost reimbursement contracts. The County will only reimburse shelter providers for costs that are eligible under the Agreements and documented in a manner that is acceptable to the County. CSD staff will assess the performance of those providers to determine if services are adequately provided. The County will provide payment after demonstration that reimbursable services were provided and performance goals were met.

Special Instructions:

Please send an electronic copy of the Minute Order and signed Agreements to Kimberlee Albers at kalbers@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter for the Bridgehouse Shelter, Santa Maria Emergency Shelter, and Family Shelter

Attachment B: Shelter Operations General Fund Grant Agreement with PATH Santa Barbara for the PATH Emergency Shelter

Attachment C: Warming Centers General Fund Grant Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelters for the Warming Centers

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