



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: June 25, 2024
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Jesús Armas, Community Service Director, (805) 568-2467
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Subrecipient Agreements with PATH Santa Barbara for Street Outreach and
Emergency Shelter; First Amendment to extend term of Channel Islands Young
Men's Christian Association HHAP Subrecipient Agreement

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with PATH for distribution of State of California Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) funds in the amount of \$250,000 for essential services and operations of emergency shelter effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with PATH for the distribution of State of California Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention – Round 1 (HHAP-1) program funds in the amount of \$35,619, for street outreach services effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and
- c) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute a First Amendment to a Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Subrecipient Agreement with Channel Islands Young Men's Christian Association (CIYMCA) to extend the term of that agreement until March 31, 2025; and

- d) Determine that the recommended actions are not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5) and 15378(b)(4), finding that the recommended actions consist of administrative or fiscal activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

Staff is recommending the approval of two Subrecipient Agreements, one for shelter operation costs and the other for street outreach services, and one First Amendment to extend the term of a HHAP subrecipient agreement. Together, the two new subrecipient agreements provide vital support to the PATH emergency shelter located at 816 Cacique Street in the City of Santa Barbara, so that it can continue service to the community. The amendment extending the CIYMCA’s HHAP subrecipient agreement will assist in meeting the ongoing need for services coordination and street outreach services.

The PLHA Subrecipient Agreement (Attachment A) funds a pathway to permanent housing by continuing to shelter persons who have relocated to PATH from transit corridor encampments. The first round of the California Encampment Resolution Fund (CERF-1) funding ends on June 30, 2024. This investment of PLHA funds will allow PATH to continue sheltering CERF-1 participants past this date until they can locate housing. The term of the PLHA Subrecipient Agreement begins on July 1, 2024, and all funds must be expended by June 30, 2025.

The HHAP Subrecipient Agreement (Attachment B) distributes funding to PATH to provide street outreach to the area around the emergency shelter. The County administers HHAP funding for both the County of Santa Barbara and Santa Maria/ Santa Barbara County Continuum of Care. These funds are available due to unspent funds from HHAP Round 1 allocated to the County and originally awarded to the Public Defender’s Office. The term of the HHAP Subrecipient Agreement begins on July 1, 2024, and all funds must be expended by June 30, 2025.

The HHAP First Amendment (Attachment C) extends the term of the Subrecipient Agreement with CIYMCA to ensure compliance with HHAP expenditure requirements. On June 15, 2021, County and CIYMCA entered into a subrecipient agreement for \$76,179.40. Due to other funding sources taking a priority as well as CIYMCA staffing issues, funds will not be expended prior to the current June 30, 2024 end date. The First Amendment extends the end date to March 31, 2025, to allow CIYMCA to continue to deliver services coordination and street outreach services to transitional age youth (ages 18-24).

Background:

On July 7, 2020, the Board of Supervisors passed and adopted Resolution No. 20-127 allowing the Director of the County’s Community Services Department to apply for, receive, and administer the PLHA funds for the Santa Barbara County PLHA Consortium, which includes the County of Santa Barbara, and the Cities of Goleta and Santa Maria. Thirty percent (30%) of the PLHA funds are used for assisting persons who are experiencing or are at risk of experiencing homelessness. Eligible expenditures include providing rapid rehousing, rental assistance, supportive/case management services that allow people to obtain and retain housing, operating and capital costs for navigation centers and emergency shelters, and

the new construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of permanent and transitional housing. The use being considered by the Board today is for operating costs for an emergency shelter of \$250,000.

As part of CERF-1, persons living in encampments on the transit corridor moved into shelter at PATH. 50 persons have been sheltered at PATH as part of CERF-1, with 16 persons remaining as of May 22, 2024. Because CERF-1 funds end on June 30, 2024, these PLHA funds are necessary to ensure that the CERF-1 participants currently at PATH can remain sheltered until they transition to permanent housing. Over the course of the year, the number of persons sheltered will decrease as PATH staff work to connect CERF-1 participants to housing opportunities. In totality, the \$2.5 million in CERF-1 funding has served 277 persons with over 140 placements in interim and permanent housing. CityNet and PATH have been the primary service providers for CERF-1.

The County of Santa Barbara and Santa Maria/ Santa Barbara County Continuum of Care have been awarded over \$16 million in HHAP funding since 2020, with another \$5 million pending award. A portion of Round 1 HHAP funding allocated to the County was contracted to the Public Defender’s Office. \$35,619 remains unspent and is being re-allocated to PATH to provide street outreach services in the area surrounding the emergency shelter to mitigate impacts to surrounding neighbors. This valuable service also assists in getting persons living unsheltered on the east side of Santa Barbara to enter PATH and move forward to permanent housing. The funding will be braided with other sources for PATH to have one full time outreach worker.

Performance Measures:

The goals and performance measures provided in the attached Subrecipient Agreements are summarized in Table 1 and Table 2 below. PATH provides quarterly reports that includes goals and performance measures.

Table 1: Goals and Performance Measures for PATH PLHA Shelter Operations Agreement

Goals

PATH will provide the following levels of services during the term of the Subrecipient Agreement:

Metric	Goal
Average number of beds provided daily	10
Approximate number of bed nights to be provided	3,500
Unduplicated number of persons served	17

Performance Measures

PATH will meet the following performance measures during the term of the Subrecipient Agreement:

Metric	Goal
Percentage of participants will move into permanent housing at project exit	30%
Percentage of participants that move to other sheltered residential environments (transitional housing, long term care, SUD treatment, etc.)	40%
Percentage of participants who move into permanent housing remaining housed for 3 months	95%

Percentage of adult participants gaining new or increasing existing cash income at project exit	30%
Percentage of adult participants will obtain non-cash benefits at project exit	20%

Table 2 Goals and Performance Measures for PATH HHAP Street Outreach Agreement

Goals

PATH will provide the following levels of services during the term of the Subrecipient Agreement:

Metric	Goal
Unduplicated number of persons served	60

Performance Measures

PATH will meet the following performance measures during the term of the Subrecipient Agreement:

Metric	Goal
Percentage of participants will move into permanent housing at project exit	5%
Percentage of participants that enter shelter	20%
Percentage of participants who move into permanent housing remaining housed for 3 months	95%

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			
State			\$ 361,798.40
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 361,798.40

Narrative: CSD will administer \$285,619 of PLHA and HHAP funding to provide shelter operations and street outreach. These funds are currently budgeted for and available for reimbursement to PATH for the delivery of eligible activities. Additionally, CSD will continue to administer the previously Board approved and currently budgeted HHAP funding awarded to CIYMCA in the amount of \$76,179.40.

Key Contract Risks:

CSD administers federal and state funding programs. As the recipient of State funds, the County is responsible for ensuring that funds are used in accordance with all applicable requirements. HHAP and PLHA Program guidelines indicate that failure to comply with program requirements may result in the

County being required to repay funds. PATH has extensive prior experience operating homeless assistance projects in accordance with funding regulations.

The Subrecipient Agreements will be on a cost-reimbursement basis. This allows CSD to review and monitor for expenditure of eligible costs to the extent prescribed by the State and federal guidelines to mitigate risk. Disbursements will be made after PATH demonstrates that reimbursable services were provided, and substantiates the eligibility of incurred costs to the satisfaction of CSD.

Staffing Impacts:

Administration of HHAP and PLHA funding sources is within currently budgeted staff positions.

Special Instructions:

- 1) Please email an electronic copy of the Minute Order to Kimberlee Albers at kalbers@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

Attachments:

- A. PLHA Subrecipient Agreement PATH for Shelter Operations and Services
- B. HHAP Subrecipient Agreement PATH for Street Outreach
- C. HHAP First Amendment CIYMCA for Services Coordination and Street Outreach

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