

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing the Assistant Executive Director and the Deputy Executive Director to execute all documents necessary to accept funding from the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), formerly the Housing and Community Investment Department of Los Angeles, to continue the Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Program for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Citywide)

Since 1999, the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach (HACLB) has been providing housing and supportive services to low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS with funding provided by LAHD through the HOPWA Program. Working with our partners at the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) and with Alliance for Housing and Healing, the HOPWA Program has been successful in preventing homelessness with low-income families living with HIV/AIDS. The existing contract with the LAHD expired on June 30, 2022 and a new contract has been provided for execution.

Continuing the scope of work from the previous contract, funding for the HOPWA Program is being renewed to provide direct rental subsidies through Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for 52 eligible families annually. In addition, the program will provide wraparound supportive services to those that are assisted by the TBRA component. Supportive services specialists will provide case management, outreach, and housing navigation to help HOPWA families remain housed while increasing their independence.

The term of this contract is for FY 2022 - 2023, July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and \$1,596,292 million is available for supportive services and TBRA components. Continued funding for these services is vital for Long Beach's service areas.

This matter was reviewed by Principal Deputy City Attorney Richard F. Anthony on December 19, 2022 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on December 28, 2022.

HACLB action is requested on January 17, 2023, so that all required documents can be executed to accept HOPWA program funding for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

The HACLB will receive up to \$1,596,292 in funding for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. There is sufficient appropriation for these funds in the Housing Authority Fund Group in the Health Department. No match or in-kind service mandate is required. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond normally budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

KELLY COLOPY ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR