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## **Homeless Services Advisory Committee**

### **Community Capacity Building Subcommittee**

**Date:** December 21, 2022

**Item:** His Little Feet Mayor's Fund Application

**Staff Analysis:**

Staff presented the initial proposal to the Mayor's Fund subcommittee. In return, the subcommittee requested the organization look for additional funding/quotes to secure the cost for the office electronic equipment (\$1,500) and furniture (\$2,500). After conferring with their team, the organization responded that they would like to change the proposal only to include purchasing new shoes.

This proposal meets the intent of the Mayor's Fund to End Homelessness under the qualification of critical infrastructure and improvements and repairs for the program. Their proposal requests \$10,000 in reimbursement funding to cover the cost of 166 pairs of new shoes (\$60 per shoe).

The staff is concerned with the inability to ensure that the funds will aid homeless children under the stricter HUD guidelines. The applicant partners with the Long Beach School District and non-profit organizations to provide services to low-income, marginal, and homeless children, but the definition of homelessness varies. Under stricter HUD regulations, low-income and marginal categories would not be applicable. However, reviewing the California Department of Education would allow for a broader definition of Homelessness.

As of November 30, 2022, the Mayor's Fund has a balance of \$112,654.77, with \$65,654.77 available after outstanding funding awards.