

November 9, 2021

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any necessary documents and subsequent amendments, including amending the award amount, with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, to receive and expend \$524,632, from the Fiscal Year 21 Emergency Solutions Grant Program allocation, and execute subcontracts with Volunteers of America Los Angeles and Interval House, for emergency shelter support and homeless prevention, respectively, from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, with the option to renew for an additional one-year period, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) is a formula allocation from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as part of the City Consolidated Plan, which is managed by the Development Services Department's Neighborhood Services Bureau. The Long Beach Health and Human Services Department (Health Department), Homeless Services Bureau (HSB), implements this component of the Consolidated Plan, and the HOME move-in deposit assistance program, as leveraged resources to the Continuum of Care (CoC) system.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) is conducted every two years to select nonprofit agencies for the projects that are annually funded, contingent upon HUD funding. As the lead entity for the local homeless CoC, the Health Department released an RFP on June 8, 2020. The proposal review process was conducted by an Ad Hoc Proposal Review Committee comprised of three Homeless Services Advisory Committee members, and the following two projects were selected:

- Volunteers of America Los Angeles, Emergency Shelter Program
- Interval House, Homelessness Prevention Program

The funding for the nonprofit agencies recommended for the ESG program is \$221,355 for Volunteers of America Los Angeles to provide emergency shelter for people experiencing homeless, and \$174,067 for Interval House to provide homeless prevention services, for a total funding amount of \$395,422. An additional \$39,347 of funding is eligible for administrative support for Health Department staff to manage the ESG program, as well as \$89,863 for street outreach (Attachment A).

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on October 13, 2021 and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on October 19, 2021.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on November 9, 2021, to continue providing critical services without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City received funding in the amount of \$524,632 for a one-year period from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. Sufficient funds are currently budgeted in the General Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department and Community Development Grant Fund Group in the Development Services Department, offset by grant revenue. A City-match of \$39,347 of the administrative support is required, and it is budgeted in the General Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department. Additionally, a match of \$89,863 for street outreach is also required and is budgeted in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



KELLY COLOPY
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER

ATTACHMENT A

**City of Long Beach
Emergency Solutions Grant Program Funds
October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022 with an option
to renew for October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023**

<u>Allocation Type</u>	<u>Funding Recommendation</u>
Emergency Shelter	
FY 21 Volunteers of America Los Angeles, Emergency Shelter.....	\$221,355
Homeless Prevention	
FY 21 Interval House, Homelessness Prevention	\$174,067
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Subtotal – Funding for Nonprofit Agencies.....	\$395,422
Administrative Cost	
FY 21 DHHS, Homeless Services Division	\$39,347
Street Outreach	
FY 21 DHHS, Homeless Services Division	\$89,863
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Total Allocation (FY 21 Emergency Solutions Grant).....	\$524,632