



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
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SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 5/9/2023

To: Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County and Board of Commissioners of the Community Development Commission

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Community Development Commission

Staff Name and Phone Number: Martha Cheever, (707) 565-7521

Vote Requirement: 4/5th

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:

Rental Assistance Voucher Program Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budgetary Adjustments

Recommended Action:

Adopt a resolution authorizing budgetary adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget totaling \$1,150,000. (4/5th vote)

Executive Summary:

The Sonoma County Housing Authority, a division of the Sonoma County Community Development Commission, was awarded an additional 30 Mainstream Program Vouchers on December 19, 2022. These vouchers are specifically for non-elderly, disabled persons/households (ages 18-62) who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness. The Housing Authority quickly deployed the vouchers, resulting in the need to update operating rental costs appropriations financed with the increased award.

Discussion:

In June 2022, the Sonoma County Housing Authority (Housing Authority), a division of the Sonoma County Community Development Commission, applied for additional Mainstream Vouchers. These vouchers are specifically for non-elderly disabled persons or families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or persons who are at risk of institutionalization or exiting mental health institutions. In response to the application, the Housing Authority was awarded an additional 30 Mainstream Program Vouchers on December 19, 2022, bringing the total Mainstream Voucher Program to 261 vouchers.

Once the Housing Authority was notified of the award, the vouchers were quickly deployed using existing budget authority. The attached budgetary adjustment resolution will make additional appropriations of \$900,000 available to maximize the leasing potential of these new Mainstream Vouchers.

In addition to rental assistance funding, this item is requesting an increase of \$250,000 in appropriations to cover anticipated increases administrative and staffing costs.

Strategic Plan:

This item directly supports the County's Five-year Strategic Plan and is aligned with the following pillar, goal, and objective.

Pillar: Healthy and Safe Communities

Goal: Goal 4: Reduce the County's overall homeless population by 10% each year by enhancing

services through improved coordination and collaboration.

Objective: Objective 2: Identify and leverage grant funding sources for permanent supportive and affordable housing development.

Prior Board Actions:

None

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY 22-23 Adopted	FY23-24 Projected	FY 24-25 Projected
Budgeted Expenses			
Additional Appropriation Requested	\$1,150,000		
Total Expenditures	\$1,150,000		
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal	\$1,150,000		
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
Total Sources	\$1,150,000		

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

Expenditure and Revenue Appropriations are being requested for the FY 2022-23 Budget in the amount of \$1,150,000, as follows: \$900,000 in expenditures for the Mainstream Voucher Program and \$250,000 in expenditures for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Staffing Impacts:			
Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Additions (Number)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Budgetary Adjustment Resolution

Attachment 2 - Notification of Award of Funding

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

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N/A