



## Legislation Text

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**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. (4/5<sup>th</sup> Vote Required)

**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		
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$1,150,000</b>		
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal	\$1,150,000		
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>\$1,150,000</b>		

**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. The Commission received an additional funding in the amount of \$500,000. In addition, \$650,000 will be expended from the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) reserves.

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:**

N/A