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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

FROM: Dept. of Public Social Services

SUBMITTAL DATE: June 26, 2003

SUBJECT: 2003 Continuum of Care Consolidated Application

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Authorize the Dept. of Public Social Services to submit an application for Homeless Assistance funds to the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development;
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Certification pertaining to the Homeless Assistance Application on behalf of the County;
- 3) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Discharge Policy and other documents related to the application and;
- 4) Allow the Department to make minor cosmetic changes to the application before Submission to HUD if it is found necessary.

BACKGROUND:

On April 22, 2003, a public notice was filed in the Federal Register announcing the availability of Continuum of Care Homeless (S+C); and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single-Room Occupancy Program for Homeless Individuals (SRO) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

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 Dennis J. Boyle, Director

FINANCIAL DATA:

CURRENT YEAR COST	\$0	ANNUAL COST:	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	IN CURRENT YEAR BUDGET:	N/A
		BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FY:	N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Officer Signature



FORM APPROVED
COUNTY COUNSEL

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Consent
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Department Recommendation:
Per Executive Office:

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Background – Continued

Since 1996 the County of Riverside has submitted a consolidated application to HUD on behalf of Homeless project sponsors who provide services for homeless persons in Riverside County. From 1996 through 2001, first through the Economic Development Agency and then through the Department of Public Social Services, a total of \$16,959,702 has been made available through these programs to provide services to homeless persons in Riverside County. In 2002, the County was awarded \$1,786,289. This year the County has been assigned a pro-rata need share of \$5.1 million dollars for new and current service providers, with bonuses for new housing programs.

This year all but three of the applications submitted are renewals of previous applications. The applications were reviewed and ranked on June 18, 2003 by the Consortium Advisory Group (previously known as the Continuum of Care Advisory Group) which was elected by the Housing and Homeless Coalition of Riverside County (formerly known as the Continuum of Care). The applications, in priority order, are as follows:

ORGANIZATION/ TYPE OF GRANT	AMOUNT/YEARS REQUESTED	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
County of Riverside, DPSS Supportive Housing Program <i>New Project</i>	\$749,992 2 years	This grant, which will be put out for RFP upon approval, will provide 25 safe haven beds for the severely mentally ill.
County of Riverside, DPSS Supportive Housing Program <i>New Project</i>	\$496,189 2 years	Expansion of Homeless Management Information System, I-XIST (mandated by HUD)
County of Riverside, Mental Health Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$229,168 2 years	This grant provides 10 beds of Men's Permanent Housing for the mentally ill.
County of Riverside, Mental Health Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$355,062 2 years	This grant provides 6 beds of Women's Permanent Housing for the mentally ill.
Whiteside Manor Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$1,882,438 2 years	This grant provides 30 transitional beds for the dually diagnosed with supportive services
ABC Recovery Center Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$82,672 2 years	This grant helps cover the cost of 10 4-bedroom bungalows that provide transitional housing for 40 persons recovering from addictions.
MFI Recovery Center Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$167,456 2 years	This grant helps cover the cost of a 14-unit transitional housing program for young mothers who are recovering from addictions and their children.
Operation SafeHouse Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$222,860 2 years	This grant covers the cost of a 15-unit apartment that provides transitional housing for youth aged 18-21.
Shelter From the Storm Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$250,000 1 year	This grant helps cover the cost of operating a 112 bed transitional shelter for victims of domestic violence in Palm Desert, CA.
Episcopal Community Services Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$231,731 1 year	This grant covers the cost of operating a transitional program with 34 beds for victims of AIDS/HIV.

Martha's Village and Kitchen Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$525,000 1 year	This grant helps cover the cost of operating a 120-bed transitional shelter in Indio, California.
County of Riverside DPSS Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$67,937 1 year	DPSS is applying for funding for the Valley Restart Transitional Shelter in Hemet. Once the grant is approved, an RFP will be issued.
Desert AIDS Project Supportive Housing Program <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$127,704	Desert AIDS provides supportive services for persons in permanent housing with AIDS/HIV
Path of Life Ministries Supportive Housing Program <i>New Project</i>	\$376,967 2 years	This grant will provide permanent supportive housing for 8 disabled men.
Housing Authority of Riverside Co. Shelter Plus Care <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$88,776 1 year	This grant provides 14 Permanent Supportive Housing units for the Mentally Ill in Eastern County
Housing Authority Shelter Plus Care <i>Renewal Grant</i>	\$74,628 1 year	14 Transitional Housing Units for the mentally ill; Supportive services provided by Riverside County Department of Mental Health.
TOTAL REQUESTED	\$5,928,580	

New applications were considered for ranking based upon the quality of the application. The applications were then ranked strategically to obtain the best possible review from the Los Angeles HUD Field Office and HUD Headquarters in Washington D.C.

One application was not considered as the application was substandard. This agency has been contacted and will be provided with information as to how to improve their chances in the next competition.

HUD continues their requirement that local governments applying for HUD Super NOFA funds accept, as a condition for receipt of funding, a commitment to develop and implement, to the maximum extent possible, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care. This would include institutions such as health care facilities, foster care programs, and correctional institutions. This is intended to emphasize that States and local units of government are primarily responsible for the care of these individuals, and that McKinney-Vento Act funds are not to be used to assist such persons in place of State and local resources.

The Department has met with representatives of affected agencies to begin the development of that policy and review its ramifications. Although a generic policy appears in the grant, we will continue to develop an effective policy that will address the needs of homeless persons leaving local hospitals, foster care programs and jail.