

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



ITEM: 3.33
(ID # 26116)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, December 03, 2024

FROM : HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

SUBJECT: HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS (HWS): Authorize the Director of Housing and Workforce Solutions or designee, to redistribute the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) Grant Allocations between HHAP Round 1, HHAP Round 2, and HHAP Round 3 for the Riverside City & County Continuum of Care, and the County of Riverside from the State of California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH) for the period ending June 30, 2026; All Districts. [Total Cost: \$9,630,587 - 100% State]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Director of Housing and Workforce Solutions (HWS), or designee, as the Administrative Entity and Continuum of Care (CoC) Lead Agency, to redistribute the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) funding awards between Rounds 1, Round 2, and Round 3, from the Riverside City & County Continuum of Care (Riverside County CoC) allocation, and from the County of Riverside allocation as generally described in ATTACHMENT A, so long as the use and allocation of funds is consistent with the award requirements set forth in the Grant Agreement and as authorized by Health & Safety Code section 50220.7; and

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ACTION:Policy


Heidi Marshall, Director 11/5/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Gutierrez seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: December 3, 2024
xc: HWS

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board

By: 
Deputy

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

2. Authorize the Director of HWS, or designee, charged with the responsibility of administering and implementing the Subrecipients Agreements between HHAP Round 1, HHAP Round 2, and HHAP Round 3, and associated programs for the Continuum of Care (CoC) and County allocations, based on the availability of fiscal funding and as approved as to form by County Counsel to: (a) sign any amendments that redistribute funds between the subrecipients, not to exceed the total grant amount; and (b) sign amendments to the Agreement that make modifications to the scope of services that stay within the intent of the agreements; and (c) sign amendments to the period of performance for the grant projects, as approved by BCSH; and (d) sign amendments to the compensation provision of the agreement that do not exceed the sum total of 20% of the total grant amount of the awards, as approved by BCSH.

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$5,710,584	\$3,920,003	\$9,630,587	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: State Funding 100%			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 24/25 - 25/26	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Housing and Workforce Solutions (HWS) Department, on behalf of the County, serves as the Lead Agency for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) for the County allocations; and serves as the Administrative Entity for the Riverside City & County Continuum of Care (CoC) for the CoC allocations.

HWS has received four rounds of HHAP funding aimed at addressing homelessness in our community. In accordance with state guidance and to ensure the community continues to receive essential resources, it is crucial to reallocate existing HHAP awards between funding rounds. This reallocation will prioritize the expenditure of funds from the earlier rounds, underscoring the county's commitment to the effective and timely use of HHAP funds. While there is still time to contractually utilize the funds from Rounds 1 and 2, various factors have influenced the pace at which these funds have been spent:

1. Delays in HHAP funded Capital projects have faced unforeseen delays due to supply chain issues and regulatory hurdles. These delays have impacted the overall timeline for project completion and, consequently, the expenditure of the allocated funds.
2. Projects funded under HHAP may have also leveraged other sources of funding and prioritized these resources due to more urgent spenddown timelines.

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HHAP Round 1 funding is available through June 2025 and HHAP Round 2 through June 2026. The unexpended balances from HHAP Rounds 1 – 3 (CoC allocation) is \$5,140,444.21. The unexpended balances from HHAP Rounds 1 – 3 (County allocation) is \$4,490,142.93 for a total of \$9,630,587.14.

Eligible uses under HHAP (Health and Safety Code § 50220.7) include:

TABLE 1

1. Rental Assistance & Rapid Rehousing: rental subsidies and incentives to landlords, such as security deposits and holding fees.
2. Street Outreach: to assist people experiencing homelessness to access permanent housing and services.
3. Systems Support: for activities necessary to create regional partnerships and maintain a homeless services and housing delivery system, particularly for vulnerable populations, including families and homeless youth.
4. Operating Subsidies: in new and existing affordable or supportive housing units, emergency shelters, and navigation centers. Operating subsidies may include operating reserves.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

Residents and businesses will benefit as the funds will be used to address critical gaps in services and housing for seniors, families, and individuals experiencing homelessness in Riverside County. The Riverside County CoC, the County of Riverside, and its subrecipients, continue to improve the lives of men, women and children experiencing homelessness through direct housing and service programs.

Additional Fiscal Information

The proposed redistribution of HHAP funding will facilitate the continued support of homeless assistance initiatives within Riverside County without increasing overall expenditure. All actions will adhere to the requirements established in the Grant Agreement and applicable state law. All funding award amounts will remain the same, with the exception if subrecipient receives additional funding not to exceed 20% of the grant award. In addition, the redistribution of HHAP funding amongst Rounds 1 through 3 will not negatively impact funded agencies, instead, will move unexpended funds to later rounds and extend the period of performance from 2025 to 2026 resulting in additional time to fully expend the funds.

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TABLE 2

Riverside County			
Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Program Funding			
ROUNDS	County Funding Allocation	COC Funding Allocation	Expenditure Deadline
Round 1	\$3,067,749.91	\$3,311,372.74	06/30/2025
Round 2	\$1,402,400.00	\$1,566,822.00	06/30/2026
Round 3	\$3,926,719.88	\$4,207,199.87	06/30/2026

Under Health and Safety Code section 50218.6(c), HHAP funding cannot be used to supplant existing local funds for homeless housing, assistance, or prevention.

Health and Safety Code section 50218.6(e) mandates that at least 10% of the funds must be used for services for homeless youth populations. Under Health & Safety Code section 50220.7(f), up to 7% of the funds may be used for program administrative costs.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A: HHAP Grant Funding Allocations (CoC and County)

Prev.Agn.Ref.: (12/15/2020; 3.19)
 (06/22/2021; 3.22)
 (09/20/2022; 3.26)
 (11/29/2022; 3.26)
 (02/28/2023; 3.19)
 (05/09/2023; 3.12)


 Brianna Lontajo, Principal Management Analyst 11/20/2024


 Aaron Gettis, Chief of Deputy County Counsel 11/14/2024



HHAP GRANT FUNDING ALLOCATION

CoC and County Allocations

Example of potential change in funding allocations as of 10/30/2024

<u>Round</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>	<u>50% Expenditure Deadline</u>	<u>100% Expenditure Deadline</u>	<u>\$ Spent</u>	<u>\$ Remaining</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease of \$ Spent</u>	<u>New Balance of \$ Spent</u>	<u>New Balance of \$ Remaining</u>
CoC HHAP-1	\$ 3,311,372.74	N/A	6/30/2025	\$ 3,017,580.62	\$ 293,792.12	\$ 293,792.12	\$ 3,311,372.74	\$ -
CoC HHAP-2	\$ 1,566,821.99	N/A	6/30/2026	\$ 360,534.84	\$ 1,206,287.15	\$ (360,534.84)	\$ -	\$ 1,566,821.99
CoC HHAP-3	\$ 4,207,199.87	N/A	6/30/2026	\$ 566,834.93	\$ 3,640,364.94	\$ 66,742.72	\$ 633,577.65	\$ 3,573,622.22
	\$ 9,085,394.60			\$ 3,944,950.39	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,944,950.39	\$ 5,140,444.21
County HHAP-1	\$ 3,067,749.91	N/A	6/30/2025	\$ 1,570,960.94	\$ 1,496,788.97	\$ 1,496,788.97	\$ 3,067,749.91	\$ -
County HHAP-2	\$ 1,402,400.00	N/A	6/30/2026	\$ 228,066.15	\$ 1,174,333.85	\$ (228,066.15)	\$ -	\$ 1,402,400.00
County HHAP-3	\$ 3,926,719.88	N/A	6/30/2026	\$ 2,107,699.77	\$ 1,819,020.11	\$ (1,268,722.82)	\$ 838,976.95	\$ 3,087,742.93
	\$ 8,396,869.79			\$ 3,906,726.86	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,906,726.86	\$ 4,490,142.93
							Grant Total	\$ 9,630,587.14