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Legislation Text

File #: 17-742, **Version:** 1

First Amendment to COMCARE's PATH Grant for homeless program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the amendment and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement.

Grant Summary: COMCARE's Homeless Program has been providing services under the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) grant for 19 years through the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS). COMCARE provides access to mental health and substance use treatment services for persons who are literally homeless. These services include:

- Street outreach;
- Screening and diagnostic treatment;
- Case management;
- Referrals to other providers, like primary health care and addiction treatment; and
- Technical assistance in applying for housing, benefits, employment, etc. as appropriate.

The PATH grant will be utilized to support two full-time (2.0 FTE) outreach case managers and 0.4 FTE office specialist to manage data for the program. COMCARE expects that approximately 300 homeless adults with mental illness and/or substance use will be outreached and 175 will be enrolled into services annually.

COMCARE applied and was awarded the PATH grant for fiscal year 2017. This amendment renews the grant for one (1) additional year (FY 2018).

Financial Considerations:

Grant period starts: 8-1-17

Grant period ends: 7-31-18

Source of funding

Grant: \$106,671

Required Match: \$

Required Cash Match: \$

Required In-Kind Match: \$

Other funding: \$53,150

TOTAL SOURCES \$159,821

Uses of funding (Note: Include any Required Matches in your totals):

Operational costs: \$ 159,821

Personnel: \$145,842

Contractual services: \$13,779

Operational supplies: \$200

Equipment:\$

Indirect administrative costs:\$

Capital projects cost:\$
TOTAL USES \$159,821

Source of matching funds:

Source of other funding: fund balance in COMCARE Grant Fund 252

Budget Authority Adjustment: No budget authority is being requested at this time, sufficient budget authority exists in the 2017 and 2018 budgets.

Personnel considerations: This PATH grant will fund 2.0 FTE case managers, and 0.4 FTE of an office specialist, which have been funded through this grant previously.

Expected measurable outcomes: Through the PATH grant, staff will be able to provide the services necessary to help connect homeless individuals with severe and persistent mental illness to housing, income, medical insurance, primary medical care, and other resources so that they can start the recovery process.

Requirements from Sedgwick County: COMCARE will have to provide the following reports to KDADS during the course of the grant: *Financial Report:* By the 20th of each month the grantee shall submit a monthly financial report for payment to the State PATH Contact. *COMCARE will* enter client level data on all persons outreached and/or enrolled in the PATH program in a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Cumulative Quarterly Report: COMCARE will submit a Quarterly Progress report in the PATH Data Exchange (PDX) online database by the 20th of each of the following months: November, February, May, and August. *Year-end Report:* COMCARE will submit the Annual PATH report in PATH PDX by mid-December. The County/COMCARE will comply with the requirements detailed in the grant application under Attachment A - Assurances.

Alternatives: Without these funds, COMCARE's Homeless Program would be unable to maintain the current level of outreach and case management services. Services would have to be reduced or an alternative source of funding would need to be identified.

Policy considerations: All Sedgwick County policies have been followed in the development of this renewal grant application.

Legal considerations: The authority for this action is K.S.A 19-101