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CONSIDERATION OF GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$972,551 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FOR THE SHELTER PLUS CARE (SPC) HOUSING PROGRAM.

Presented by: Tim Kaufman, Assistant County Manager, Department of Public Services.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded, authorize acceptance of the grant and the establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this Request.

Grant Renewal: Yes

Never Applied: No

Applied; not awarded: No

Grant Summary and Timeline: The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program. This NOFA makes funds available for Homeless Assistance Grants which include transitional housing, supportive services for homeless persons, and permanent supportive housing. The community application will be submitted to HUD by September 14th, 2018.

SPC partners with COMCARE, Miracles Inc., and Kansas University Medical Center to provide tenant-based rental assistance. The program is considered permanent housing and is designed to promote residential stability for those with severe and persistent mental illness, substance use issues, and/or HIV/AIDS related illness. The purpose of the program is to provide clients with the skills to increase their income and self-sufficiency, and has the capacity to serve up to 112 individuals/families annually. Grant funds will primarily be used to subsidize rent and utilities for eligible participants and to support one case management position. The in-kind match consists of case management services provided by partner agencies.

Historically, these grants have been requested through three separate applications. COMCARE is requesting to have the SPC Main, Bonus One, and Bonus Two consolidated into one grant. COMCARE is submitting four applications, as requested by HUD; SPC Main, SPC Bonus One, SPC Bonus Two, and an application for the consolidation of all three grants.

Financial Considerations: Shelter Plus Care Main

Grant period starts: May 1, 2019

Grant period ends: April 30, 2020

Source of funding

Grant: \$900,470

Required Match: \$0

Required Cash Match: \$0

Required In-Kind Match: \$0

Other funding:\$3,983
TOTAL SOURCES: \$904,453
Uses of funding (Note: Include any Required Matches in your totals)
Operational costs: \$0
Personnel: \$49,805
Contractual services: \$854,148
Operational supplies: \$0
Equipment:\$500
Indirect administrative costs: \$0
Capital projects cost: \$0
TOTAL USES \$904,453
Source of other funding: Transfer in funding.

Financial Considerations: Shelter Plus Care Bonus One

Grant period starts: June 1, 2019
Grant period ends: May 31, 2020
Source of funding
Grant: \$36,554
Required Match: \$0
Required Cash Match: \$0
Required In-Kind Match: \$0
Other funding: \$0
TOTAL SOURCES: \$36,554
Uses of funding (Note: Include any Required Matches in your totals)
Operational costs: \$0
Personnel: \$0
Contractual services: \$34,500
Operational supplies: \$2,054
Equipment: \$0
Indirect administrative costs: \$0
Capital projects cost: \$0
TOTAL USES \$36,554

Financial Considerations: Shelter Plus Care Bonus Two

Grant period starts: September 1, 2019
Grant period ends: August 31, 2020
Source of funding
Grant: \$35,527
Required Match: \$0
Required Cash Match: \$0
Required In-Kind Match: \$0
Other funding: \$0
TOTAL SOURCES: \$35,527
Uses of funding (Note: Include any Required Matches in your totals)
Operational costs: \$0
Personnel: \$0
Contractual services: \$34,500
Operational supplies: \$1,027

Equipment: \$0
Indirect administrative costs: \$0
Capital projects cost: \$0
TOTAL USES \$35,527

Financial Considerations: Shelter Plus Care Consolidation (Main, Bonus 1, and Bonus 2)

Grant period starts: May 1, 2019

Grant period ends: April 30, 2020

Source of funding

Grant: \$972,551
Required Match: \$0
Required Cash Match: \$902
Required In-Kind Match: \$0
Other funding: \$0
TOTAL SOURCES: \$973,453

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

Operational costs: \$500
Personnel: \$49,805
Contractual services: \$923,148
Operational supplies: \$0
Equipment: \$0
Indirect administrative costs: \$0
Capital projects cost: \$0
TOTAL USES \$973,453

Source of matching funds: Transfer in grant match.

Budget Authority Adjustment: No budget authority is being requested at this time; sufficient budget authority exists in the 2019 budget.

Personnel considerations: No new staff will be added with this grant. Existing staff at COMCARE's Homeless Program will provide the 0.30 FTE case management services associated with the project.

Expected measurable outcomes: At least 112 individuals and/or families with a disabled head of household will secure permanent housing in the SPC program. Through program participation, it is expected that clients will be equipped with independent living skills that will allow them to increase their income and self-sufficiency.

Alternatives: If this grant application is not approved, the community will lose access to 112 permanent housing vouchers, which would represent a significant loss when resources for safe, affordable housing are already strained.

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

Legal considerations: The authority for this action is K.S.A. 19-101 and a simple majority vote is required. Compliance with standard HUD Grant Certifications regarding Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity is required.

