

Mecklenburg County

Legislation Text

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Title:

Affirm Grant Awards - HUD Continuum of Care 2018

Summary ACTION:

- A) Affirm award of three renewal grants and one additional funding grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):
 - 1) Affirm grant for \$2,346,745 for the year 7/1/19-6/30/20 to provide Shelter Plus Care (SPC) targeted rental subsidies to homeless persons with disabilities (SPC Consolidated Renewal)
 - 2) Affirm grant for \$63,000 for the year 6/1/19-5/31/20 to provide Coordinated Entry services for homeless individuals and families (Mecklenburg County Coordinated Entry Renewal 2018)
 - 3) Affirm grant for \$63,000 for the year 4/1/2019 3/31/2020 to administer the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Continuum of Care. (2018 HMIS Mecklenburg)
 - 4) Affirm grant for \$100,000 for the Homeless Management Information System expansion project for the Mecklenburg Continuum of Care County will be notified of project dates once scope of work notice has been received from HUD.
- B) Recognize, receive and appropriate funds for the affirmed amounts awarded for the duration of the grant periods; and
- C) Authorize one position in Community Support Services, Homeless Services Divisions: 1 HMIS Administrator (annual market rate) \$58,700

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Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

The Shelter Plus Care renewal grant provides targeted rental subsidies to permanently house consumers who are chronically homeless and disabled.

The Coordinated Entry renewal grant funds a position that provides assessment services for homeless individuals and families seeking shelter and housing assistance.

The HMIS renewal grant provides funds to administer the local HMIS for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Continuum of Care. As well as funding 1 HMIS staff person to provide technical and training support to domestic violence agencies, the final grant will also support increasing HMIS bed coverage by providing support for additional agencies to participate in HMIS, support agencies with their federal funder required reporting, and work toward facilitating the entry of HUD Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) and veteran coordinated entry data into HMIS.

CSS is the only organization in Mecklenburg County to receive this additional funding. Participation in HMIS is required by HUD to provide data that informs resource allocation decisions and allows the community to determine whether it is making progress in reducing homelessness.

Application to HUD was submitted September 18, 2018 by the City of Charlotte, Lead Agency for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Continuum of Care. The funding decision was made in January 2019 and February 2019.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

N/A

POLICY IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. Match requirements are met through budgeted funds or provided through partner agencies. The additional position would be fully funded by grant money.