



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Specific Performance Agreement with Homeless Emergency Project, Inc. d/b/a Homeless Empowerment Program to provide funding for administration of the Homelessness Prevention component of the County's Community Homeless Assistance Program.

Recommended Action:

Approval and execution by the County Administrator of the Specific Performance Agreement with Homeless Emergency Project, Inc. d/b/a Homeless Empowerment Program (HEP) to provide funding for administration of the Homeless Prevention component of the County's Community Homeless Assistance Program (CHAP).

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need

2.4 Support programs that seek to prevent and remedy the causes of homelessness and move individuals and families from homelessness to permanent housing

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.2 Invest in communities that need the most

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

Summary:

One of the projects to be carried out under the County's Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY18/19) is the funding of the Homeless and Homelessness Prevention Services Program (Program) through the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). HEP and Catholic Charities, Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. (CC) were both selected to receive ESG funds through a competitive application process. This is the eighth (8th) round of ESG funding which HEP and CC are administering.

CC and HEP will administer the CHAP Program providing rental payments, move-in costs and deposits, and utility payments to prevent homelessness of at-risk families and individuals. Both CC and HEP will have access to the total pool of ESG funds on a first-come, first-serve basis. The total pool of ESG funds are budgeted from FY18/19. This SPA with HEP for administering the CHAP Program is for a two-year period from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2020.

Background/Explanation:

In accordance with the adopted Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, it is necessary to enter into Specific Performance Agreements with qualified agencies to allow for certain activities stated in

the Annual Action Plan to be contractually delegated and specify the obligation of the agencies receiving funds in meeting Federal, State and County requirements.

Fiscal Impact:

The total amount of funding for this agreement is not to exceed \$185,533.00 during the term of the Agreement. Funding for this Agreement is included in the County's FY19 Adopted Budget for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds.

Delegated Authority:

Authority for the County Administrator to sign this agreement is granted under Code Section 2-62 (a) (1).

Staff Member Responsible:

Renea Vincent, Director, Planning

Partners:

Homeless Emergency Project, Inc. d/b/a Homeless Empowerment Program
Catholic Charities, Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc.
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Attachments:

Specific Performance Agreement
Property Location Map
Resolution 18-35