



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director
Date: November 2, 2021

Subject: Grant Agreement #28-979 with the City of Oakland

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Agreement #28-979 including indemnification with City of Oakland, to pay the County an amount not to exceed \$952,988 for participation in the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) Program, for the period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The agreement will result in Federal funding in an amount of up to \$952,988 by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to the City of Oakland, as the HOPWA Grantee, and provided to Contra Costa County Health Services.

BACKGROUND:

The National Affordable Housing Act (Public Law 101-625, approved November 28, 1990) authorizes the HOPWA Program to provide states and localities with resources to devise long-term comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS and related diseases. The City of Oakland (City) is the HOPWA grant recipient for Alameda and Contra Costa counties. The

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/02/2021** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor

ABSENT: Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 2, 2021

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

City allocates HOPWA funds between the counties based on the number of HIV/AIDS cases. These funds may be used for site acquisition, rehabilitation and new construction of affordable housing, supportive services, housing information services, rent, mortgage and utility subsidies, and certain other housing related activities for low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS in both the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County. HOPWA eligible supportive services include medical case management, meals/nutritional services, mental health services, and transportation.

The County Health Services Department (CCHS) HIV/AIDS program has worked with the HOPWA program since its inception in the mid 1990s. Activities include housing advocacy and housing information services, including client intake, housing needs assessment, assistance with locating affordable housing, assistance with housing-related benefit applications, development and implementation of client housing plans, emergency assistance funds, follow-up to ensure receipt of benefits and housing, and referral to other services.

At Contra Costa County, the Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) and CCHS jointly coordinate periodically to identify and address the housing-related service needs of low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS in Contra Costa County. Funding allocations for both housing development and services are based on factors such as client needs and timely expenditure of HOPWA funds. This agreement was previously administered by DCD. In July 2021 an interdepartmental agreement was executed between DCD and CCHS designating the CCHS to oversee this agreement.

Approval of this Agreement #28-979 will allow continuous funding to support the HOPWA Program, through June 30, 2024. This agreement includes indemnifying the City of Oakland.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the Board does not approve the allocation of HOPWA funds to CCHS, funding for additional HOPWA supportive services would not be available and low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS in the County would lose vital housing and supportive services.