

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM: 3.14
(ID # 20507)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, November 08, 2022

FROM : HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS:

SUBJECT: HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS (HWS): Accept the Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) from the State of California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH), California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH); Approve and Authorize the Director of HWS to enter into and execute Standard Agreement 22-ERF-2-L-10005 with BCSH for the ERF Program; Approve the Form of the Subrecipient Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Templates; Authorize the Director of HWS to execute Subrecipient Agreements with ERF Subrecipients and MOUs for the ERF Program; District 2. [Total Cost \$10,997,002; Source of Funds: 100% State Funding] (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Accept the Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) from the State of California, administered by the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH), California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH), in the amount of \$10,997,001.36, to prevent, reduce, and end homelessness;
2. Approve and Authorize the Director of the Department of Housing Workforce Solutions (HWS), or designee, to enter into and execute Standard Agreement 22-ERF-2-L-10005, substantially as to form as detailed in Attachment A, with BCSH to receive ERF Program funds, in the total aggregate amount of \$10,997,001.36, effective upon BCSH approval and terminating no later than March 31, 2026, subject to availability of fiscal funding and as approved as to form by County Counsel;
3. Approve the form of the attached Subrecipient Agreement Template for the ERF Program (Attachment B), substantially as to form and as approved as to form by County Counsel, for use with non-Riverside County agencies receiving ERF Program subawards for eligible activities (ERF Subrecipients);
4. Approve the form of the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Template for the ERF Program (Attachment C), substantially as to form and as approved as to form by County Counsel, for use with Riverside County Departments for eligible activities;
5. Authorize the Director of HWS, or designee, to execute individual ERF Program Subrecipient Agreements or MOUs, substantially conforming in form and substance to the attached Templates and as approved as to form by County Counsel, with each ERF Subrecipient or Department for eligible ERF projects, effective on the start date and

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terminating on the end date, in an amount not to exceed the total grant amount for each agency, as set forth in Attachment E;

6. Authorize the Director of HWS, or designee, based on the availability of fiscal funding and as approved as to form by County Counsel, to administer all actions necessary and sign all necessary documents related to the administration of the ERF grant award, in accordance with program requirements, including to: (a) sign amendments to the Subrecipient Agreements or MOUs that make modifications to the statement of work and stay within the intent of the agreement or MOU; and (b) sign amendments to the compensation provisions of the Subrecipient Agreements or MOUs, including moving funds between each agency not to exceed the total grant amount of the ERF Program, as set forth in the Standard Agreement and approved by BCSH; and
7. Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustment shown in Attachment D.

ACTION: 4/5 Vote Required, Policy


Heidi Marshall, Director 11/2/2022

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$5,498,501	\$5,498,501	\$10,997,002	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% State Funding			Budget Adjustment: Yes	
			For Fiscal Year: FY 22/23 – FY 24/25	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

On October 29, 2021, the State of California Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) released a Request for Application through the Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) seeking proposals that include local demonstration projects for innovative service delivery models and cross systems collaborations that support individuals experiencing homelessness in encampments towards a meaningful path to safe and stable housing, using non-punitive, low-barrier, person-centered, Housing First approaches.

The Riverside County Department of Housing and Workforce Solutions – Continuum of Care division (HWS-CoC) submitted a proposal for \$11 million dollars to fund housing and encampment response for the 2nd District Santa Ana River Bottom (SARB) to serve 200 homeless persons living in and around the SARB. While the Riverside County project was not funded during the first round of awards, the County received notification on October 27, 2022, that the project was included during the second round of funding referred to as the Encampment Resolution Funding Program Lookback Disbursement (ERF-2-L).

The ERF will cover costs towards a SARB multidisciplinary team made up of the following Riverside County Departments: Housing and Workforce Solutions, Housing Authority County of Riverside, Riverside University Health Systems – Behavioral Health, Department of Animal Services, Regional Park and Open-Space District, Cities of: Corona, Norco, Riverside, Eastvale, and Jurupa Valley, and local Homeless Service Providers: Path of Life Ministries and City Net. Memorandum of Understandings (MOU) will be established between all partners at a later date. ERF program funds must be expended by June 30, 2025.

Led by Second District Supervisor Karen Spiegel, the collaborative SARB multidisciplinary team has convened since April 2021 to provide a compassionate and humane response. The collaborative is made up of multi-jurisdictional and disciplinary partners who meet regularly to coordinate responses to rehouse existing encampment residents living in the

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Santa Ana River Bottom area, remove and mitigate physical encampments, and conduct clean-up, maintenance repairs, and habitat restoration.

Since this collaborative was formed, 332 encampment individuals have been engaged in services, shelter, and housing by integrating County and City funding resources. This funding will allow HWS-CoC to build on the momentum to serve and house additional homeless persons remaining in the SARB.

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

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Encampment Resolution Funding awarded amounts include:

Agency Name	Funding Amount
City of Norco	\$ 1,071,434.10
City of Corona	\$ 1,071,434.10
City of Jurupa Valley	\$ 485,982.00
City of Riverside	\$ 613,818.65
Animal Services	\$ 18,750.00
RUHS-BH	\$ 3,600,000.00
HACR	\$ 3,033,249.04
HWS	\$ 1,102,333.47
Total	\$10,997,001.36

Impact on Residents and Businesses

Through HWS, the County of Riverside and its subrecipients continue improving the lives of men, women and children experiencing homelessness through the direct housing and service programs.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A – Standard Agreement
- Attachment B – Subrecipient Agreement Template
- Attachment C – Memorandum of Understanding Template

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- Attachment D – Schedule A - Budget Adjustment
- Attachment E – Awarded Agencies



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