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San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Presentation to the SDHC Board of Commissioners April 11, 2019

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SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Introduction

- SDHC's Rapid Rehousing Programs provide a permanent housing solution to individuals and families experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.
- SDHC currently administers six Rapid Rehousing Programs in the City of San Diego with the following providers:
 - Saint Vincent de Paul Village
 - Home Start
 - South Bay Community Services
 - YWCA
 - People Assisting the Homeless (2 programs)
- Programs are currently funded by a combination of federal sources of funds.





SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Overview

- Using the Coordinated Entry System, individuals and families experiencing homelessness are assessed and connected to service providers operating programs specific to their needs.
- The Rapid Rehousing Programs provide assistance to individuals and families:
 - Case management services
 - Short- to long-term rental assistance
 - Move-in expenses, including utility payment
 - Housing search and landlord negotiation assistance
 - Referrals to other services to help stabilize and support individuals and families to ensure housing success





SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Overview (Continued)

- Once enrolled, clients are connected to community services and staff specializing in the Rapid Rehousing Program model.
- Housing navigators provide programming to connect clients with permanent housing solutions.
- Case managers continually work with clients to increase and maintain income supports while ensuring supportive services are delivered.
- During program participation, clients receive monetary assistance to offset the rent amount. Rental assistance incrementally decreases as the client's income increases.
- At the close of program participation, the client is able to pay 100 percent of the rent.





SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion HEAP Funding Overview

- Authorized by Senate Bill 850, signed into law in June 2019.
- HEAP funds are allocated to cities experiencing a severe homelessness crisis.
- HEAP funds must be contractually obligated by January 1, 2020, and completely expended by June 30, 2021.
- \$1.36 million annually of HEAP funds will support three new Rapid Rehousing Programs in the City of San Diego through April 2021.





SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Proposed New Programming

- Expand the existing Rapid Rehousing portfolio to include programs operated by:
 - People Assisting the Homeless (PATH)
 - Home Start
 - Salvation Army
- Contract Terms
 - HEAP Funds Award: \$454,726 to each provider
 - Initial contract term of May 1, 2019, to April 30, 2020, with one one-year option to extend each contract
 - Minimum Households Served: 40 households per program for a total of 120



SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Staff Recommendations

That the Board of Commissioners take the following actions:

- Authorize the execution of agreements with PATH, Home Start, and The Salvation Army in the amount of \$454,726 each in HEAP funds to operate their respective Rapid Rehousing programs from May 1, 2019, through April 30, 2020, with a one-year option to extend each respective agreement to April 30, 2021;
- Authorize the President & CEO, or designee, to execute all necessary documents and instruments that are necessary and/or appropriate to implement these approvals, on terms and conditions approved by the President & CEO, or designee, upon the advice of and in a form approved by General Counsel, and to take such actions necessary and/or appropriate to implement these approvals in accordance and compliance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;





SDHC Rapid Rehousing Programs Expansion Staff Recommendations (Continued)

- Authorize the President & CEO to increase the amount of funding in the initial operating year by not more than 30% of the annual operating budget, without increasing the total budget over the potential 2 year term of the contract, by increasing the initial term budget amount and reducing the option year budget by the same amount without further action by the Housing Commission Board of Commissioners (Board). The execution of contracts will be contingent on an MOU between the Commission and the City of San Diego being approved by the Housing Authority and the San Diego City Council detailing the roles and responsibilities of the two parties related to the allocation and administration of HEAP funding; and
- Authorize the President & CEO to substitute funding sources and/or increase compensation by not more than 20 percent of the total agreement amount for each of the proposed agreements, if necessary, without further action by the Housing Commission Board of Commissioners (Board), but only if and to the extent that funds are determined to be available for such purposes.





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