



INFORMATIONAL REPORT

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ATTENTION: Chair and Members of the San Diego Housing Commission
For the Agenda of March 17, 2023

SUBJECT: San Diego Housing Commission Semi-Annual Grant Report July 1, 2022,
through December 31, 2022

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

NO ACTION IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF THE HOUSING COMMISSION

SUMMARY

This report has been prepared in response to the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego (Housing Authority) Resolution Number HA-1569, which provides the San Diego Housing Commission (Housing Commission) authority for a number of grant-related activities and requires semi-annual reporting of all grant activity. It includes information about Housing Commission activity related to competitive grants, non-competitive grants and allocations, and pass-through funds from the City of San Diego (City) during the first half of Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 (July 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022). Grant funding approved for the Housing Commission to administer in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic also is included in Attachment 1 of this report.

Grant Activity – Competitive Grants

During the first half of FY 2023, activity related to 16 competitive grant funding opportunities occurred.

Decision notices were received for six grant applications, including five awards totaling \$13,224,282 and one that was not awarded totaling \$12,500. Nine grant applications for a total of \$14,378,547.29 were pending decision as of December 31, 2022.

The Housing Commission, with support from the Regional Task Force on Homelessness, also submitted a “registration of interest” to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the maximum number of new Stability Vouchers available to the San Diego region via a formula allocation. These vouchers would provide rental assistance to individuals and families experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. The registration of interest is the first step in a two-step selection process that is tied to the FY 2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Supplemental to Address Rural and Unsheltered Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity (Supplemental NOFA). As of December 31, 2022, the Housing Commission was awaiting the HUD announcement regarding awards for the Supplemental NOFA and the subsequent formal invitation to apply for the Stability Vouchers, which is the second step in the selection process.

Table 1 – Competitive Grants – Awards				
	Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Submitted	Amount & Type	Description
1	California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Homekey Round 2	FY22 / Fourth Quarter	\$11,825,000 New	To create 40 new affordable permanent housing units with supportive services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.
2	HUD Mainstream Vouchers	FY22 / Fourth Quarter	\$786,962 New	To provide up to 50 Mainstream Vouchers to help pay rent for households with low income and/or experiencing homelessness that include a non-elderly person with a disability. (\$726,426 for Housing Assistance Payments and \$60,536 for extraordinary administrative fees.)
3	HUD HUD Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Vouchers	FY23 / Second Quarter	\$352,320 New	To provide up to 25 federal HUD-VASH vouchers to help pay rent for households with at least one veteran experiencing homelessness.
4	The Center at Sierra Health Foundation in partnership with the California Department of Public Health Health Ambassadors for People Experiencing Homelessness	FY23 / First Quarter	\$250,000 New	To fund two Peer Health Ambassadors to conduct COVID-19 vaccination education outreach at City of San Diego shelters.
5	Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) & Wells Fargo Building Financial Resilience After Crisis (continuation)	FY23 / Second Quarter	\$10,000 Renewal	To engage an additional 20 participants from low- and moderate-income households in credit- and asset-building programming over six months through the Housing Commission’s Achievement Academy.

Table 1 – Competitive Grants – Awards			
Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Submitted	Amount & Type	Description
Total Awards: 5		\$13,224,282	

Table 2 – Competitive Grants – Not Awarded			
Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Submitted	Amount & Type	Description
1	Credit Builders Alliance Achieving Credit Strength, Community of Practice Cohort	FY 2022 / Fourth Quarter New	\$12,500 To support a nine-month Community of Practice cohort of Housing Commission Achievement Academy clients in an enhanced credit-building program focused on supporting young adults.
Total Not Awarded: 1		\$12,500	

Table 3 – Competitive Grants – Pending Decision			
Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Submitted	Amount & Type	Description
1	HUD FY 2022 CoC – SDHC Merged Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)	FY 2023 / First Quarter Renewal	\$3,912,268 To provide a minimum of 207 permanent supportive housing units to families and households with individuals with a disabling condition and experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.
2	HUD FY 2022 CoC – CoC Moving Home Rapid Rehousing	FY 2023 / First Quarter New	\$1,608,927.00 To provide short- to medium-term rental assistance with supportive services to a minimum of 62 individuals experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.
3	HUD	FY 2023 / First Quarter Renewal	\$751,944 To provide short- to medium-term rental assistance with supportive services to a minimum of 28 youth

Table 3 – Competitive Grants – Pending Decision

	Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Submitted	Amount & Type	Description
	FY 2022 CoC – Transition-Age Youth Rapid Rehousing			ages 18-24 experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.
4	HUD FY 2022 CoC – San Diego Rapid Rehousing Program	FY 2023 / First Quarter	\$665,774 Renewal	To provide short- to medium-term rental assistance with supportive services to a minimum of 23 individuals experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.
5	HUD FY 2022 CoC Supplemental to Address Rural and Unsheltered Homelessness – SDHC PSH Initiative – 155	FY 2023 / Second Quarter	\$2,666,997 (over three years) New	To provide supportive services connected to permanent housing units to up to 155 individuals experiencing homelessness and chronic homelessness, including youth, veterans, and adults ages 55 and older.
6	HUD FY 2022 CoC Supplemental to Address Rural and Unsheltered Homelessness – SDHC Seniors PSH	FY 2023 / Second Quarter	\$1,935,618 (over three years) New	To provide 30 permanent supportive housing units for individuals experiencing homelessness and chronic homelessness who are ages 55 or older with one or more disabling conditions.
7	HUD FY 2022 CoC Supplemental to Address Rural and Unsheltered Homelessness – Multidisciplinary Outreach Team (MDT) 2.0 Outreach	FY 2023 / Second Quarter	\$1,499,999 (over three years) New	To provide one MDT to conduct targeted street outreach to up to 150 individuals experiencing homelessness and chronic homelessness in the City of San Diego who are high acuity and among the most prominent users of emergency services.

Table 3 – Competitive Grants – Pending Decision				
	Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Submitted	Amount & Type	Description
8	HUD Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS)	FY 2023 / Second Quarter	\$1,226,625.29 (over two years) Renewal	To fund the salaries of up to six FSS Program Coordinators at the Housing Commission’s Achievement Academy who provide families receiving federal rental assistance with training and supportive services to help them achieve self-sufficiency (\$598,353.80 in Calendar Year [CY] 2023 and, pending availability of funds, \$628,271.49 in CY24).
9	County of San Diego Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	FY 2023 / Second Quarter	\$110,395 Renewal	To provide operating support for the San Diego City-County Reinvestment Task Force.
Total Pending Decision: 9			\$14,378,547.29	

Grant Activity – Pass-through Funding (Non-COVID-19 Related)

During the first half of FY 2023, no funds were passed through to the Housing Commission from the City of San Diego.

Grant Activity – Non-Competitive Funding (Non-COVID-19 Related)

As the City’s public housing agency, the Housing Commission is allocated non-competitive funds from HUD based on formulas and, on occasion, other factors. There was one non-competitive grant allocation totaling \$1,327,936 to the Housing Commission during the first half of FY 2023.

Table 4 – Non-Competitive Funding (Non-COVID-19 Related)				
	Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Allocated	Amount & Type	Description
1	HUD Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) / Section 8	FY 2023 / First Quarter	\$1,327,936 New	To provide up to 92 additional HCVs to help households with low income pay their rent (\$1,258,936 for Housing Assistance Payments and

Table 4 – Non-Competitive Funding (Non-COVID-19 Related)			
Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Allocated	Amount & Type	Description
			\$69,000 for Special Administrative Fees).
Total Pass-through Funding: 1		\$1,270,077.69	

Economic Impact

- **Sub-recipient Agreements** – No grant-related sub-recipient agreements were executed during the first half of FY 2023.
- **Contracts Awarded** – During the first half of FY 2023, the Housing Commission executed two contracts totaling \$317,127.89 in HUD Capital Fund program funding that is allocated non-competitively to the Housing Commission. The annual HUD Capital Fund allocation is based on a formula that measures the existing modernization and accrual needs of public housing authorities. The funds are intended to be used for public housing units.

Table 6 – Contracts Awarded			
	Property	Description	Amount
1	Via Las Cumbres, Mason, Trojan, 44 th St., Otay-Picador, Vista Verde	Exterior lighting	\$181,142
2	Via Las Cumbres	Parking lot lighting	\$145,042.99
Total Contracts: 2			\$326,184.99

Respectfully submitted,



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Approved by,



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Docket materials are available in the “Governance & Legislative Affairs” section of the San Diego Housing Commission website at www.sdhc.org.

Attachment 1

COVID-19 Funding

During the first half of FY 2023, there was one new approval of funding for the Housing Commission to administer in response to COVID-19. The table below provides a high-level description of these COVID-19-related funds and whether they were directly/indirectly awarded or allocated and/or passed through to the Housing Commission. Detailed reporting of COVID-19-related pass-through funding from the City and State is completed in accordance with executed Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) and Agreements.

Table 7 – COVID-19 Funding				
	Grantor / Funding Source	FY / Quarter Approved	Amount	Description
1	U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury Department), via City of San Diego Reallocation of federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA1) and CA Assembly Bill 832	FY 2023 / First Quarter	\$5,019,573.68	To repay a portion of the State of California Rental Assistance Program (SRA) Emergency Rental Assistance Short-Term Cash Flow Loan Fund balance pursuant to State Senate Bill (SB) 115, contingent upon Treasury Department authorization of the use of ERA1 funds for this purpose. If the Treasury Department does not authorize the use of ERA1 funds, the Housing Commission anticipates that these funds will be returned to the Treasury Department because all of the remaining eligible households received assistance from the City’s Housing Stability Assistance Program (HSAP) as of August 31, 2022, and HSAP has no obligations to pay with the ERA1 reallocation. If the Treasury Department does not award sufficient additional funding to repay the cash flow loan or such federal funding is not received by June 30, 2023, the State will forgive the balance of the cash flow loan.
Total COVID-19 Funding: 1			\$5,019,573.68	