


CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION:

1. ACCEPTING, APPROPRIATING, AND AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS FOR RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM (A) THE STATE FAMILY HOMELESSNESS CHALLENGE (FHC) GRANT, ROUND 2 (FHC-2) IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$1,844,860 AND (B) OAKLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY (OHA) IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$1,200,000; AND

2. AWARDING GRANT AGREEMENTS TO SIX HOMELESS SERVICES PROVIDERS IDENTIFIED IN TABLE 1 USING FHC FUNDS TO IMPLEMENT THE FHC PROJECT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026; AND

3. AWARDING A GRANT AGREEMENT TO EAST OAKLAND COMMUNITY PROJECT (EOCP) IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,100,404 FROM JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2027 TO OPERATE THE MATILDA CLEVELAND AND FAMILIES IN TRANSITION PROGRAMS USING CITY AND OHA FUNDS;

4. AWARDING A GRANT AGREEMENT TO EOCP IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,875,000 FROM JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 TO OPERATE THE FAMILY MATTERS SHELTER USING MEASURE Q FUNDS; AND

5. AWARDING A GRANT AGREEMENT TO CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DBA BUILDING FUTURES WOMEN AND CHILDREN (BFWC) IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$352,000 FROM JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 TO OPERATE OAKLAND'S FAMILY FRONT DOOR

WHEREAS, homelessness is a complex problem requiring many different programmatic interventions and financial resources to address the full scope of the issue; and

WHEREAS, the Family Homelessness Challenge (FHC) Grant program provides funding to local jurisdictions to promote rapid innovation, accelerate nascent programs, and expand promising practices to create scalable solutions that can be shared across the state to address and ultimately end family homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for, and was awarded \$2,001,152 from the California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (“BCSH”) to support the implementation of the Family Homelessness Challenge (“FHC-1”) Project; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2022, the City Council adopted City Resolution 89391 CMS, authorizing the acceptance and appropriation of funds from BCSH to implement the FHC-1 Project; and

WHEREAS, due to the cap of five percent for administrative costs, staff utilized a contribution from the General Purpose Fund to cover the Central Services Overhead charges in the estimated amount of \$37,000 for September 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City entered an agreement with four local entities in the amount of \$1,905,859 to implement the FHC-1 Project from November 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator intends to extend the agreements for the FHC-1 Project until December 31, 2024 to allow more time to use the FHC-1 funds; and

WHEREAS, provider outcomes for the FHC-1 Project were measured by attainment of the following by the end of year two: 72% of exits to permanent housing; 45% of exits with employment income; and 45% of exits to permanent housing from emergency shelter or interim housing within six months; and

WHEREAS, providers meet and/or exceed FHC-1 goals, but have found that residents require more than six months in programs to exit to permanent housing and align with the FHC Project objective to ensure that homelessness is brief and one-time for families; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted an application requesting \$1,844,860 from BCSH to support the implementation of the Family Homelessness Challenge (“FHC-2”) Project from January 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City has contracted with East Oakland Community Project (“EOCP”) since 1997 to provide transitional housing and supportive services for families experiencing homelessness at the Matilda Cleveland – Families in Transition (“MCFIT”) programs and the Family Matters Shelter program; and

WHEREAS, 505 families were served through the transitional housing, rapid rehousing, and emergency shelter programs described in the accompanying report in Fiscal Year 22-23. Of these families, 76% of adults and children in families served identified as Black/African American. As the City remains committed to addressing the overrepresentation of homelessness for Black residents, approval of this resolution will bring an additional BIPOC-led homelessness services provider into the system while maintaining the existing services and shelter beds that house the community; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to use General Purpose Funds in the amount of \$900,404, as specified in Table 2a below, for the MCFIT transitional housing programs continued operations; and

WHEREAS, the City also intends to accept up to \$1,200,000 from Oakland Housing Authority Local Housing Assistance Plan (“LHAP”) funding to continue MCFIT operations through April 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$1,875,000 are available, as specified in Table 2b below for the continued operation of the Family Matters Shelter through September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City contracts with Cornerstone Community Development Corporation d/b/a Building Futures For Women and Children (“BFWC”) to operate Family Front Door to provide rapid rehousing and supportive services to literally homeless families; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to use City funds in the amount of \$352,000, available as specified in Table 3 below, for the continued operation of Family Front Door; and

WHEREAS, in the event the FHC-2 award is granted to the MCFIT program as shown in Table 1, the General Purpose Funds identified below in Table 2a could be reallocated by the City Council to other programs; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby accepts, appropriates to State of California Fund (2159), Community Housing Services Organization (78411), Project (TBD), and Homeless Services & Support Program (NB41); and authorizes the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with BCSH for the receipt of funds from the State Family Homelessness Challenge Grant, Round 2 in an amount up to \$1,844,860, to continue the Family Homelessness Challenge project through June 30, 2026; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council awards grant agreements to the six local entities (four existing and two new service providers), appropriated through State of California Fund (2159), Community Housing Services Organization (78411), Project (TBD), and Homeless Services & Support Program (NB41) if awarded, and as identified In Table 1 below for the amounts specified therein, to provide critical homelessness services, including transitional housing and supportive services through June 30, 2026:

Table 1: FHC-2 Proposed Budget			
Grant Term	Grantee/Recipient	Amount	Activity
1/1/2025 – 6/30/2026	Building Futures for Women and Children	\$258,187	Supportive services, including coordinated entry, mental health, workforce development, and housing navigation
	Oakland Transitional Housing Alliance:		Three units of recovery-oriented transitional housing at A Diamond in the Ruff.
	A Diamond in the Ruff	\$233,454	Ten units of recovery-oriented transitional housing and supportive services at Oakland Elizabeth House.

	Oakland Elizabeth House		Three units of recovery-oriented transitional housing at Urban University.
	Urban University		
	EOCP MCFIT	\$895,554	Enhanced services to existing twenty-three transitional housing units
	Courageous Women Association	\$369,815	Four interim housing units
	City of Oakland, Human Services Dept	\$87,850	Contract management and administration of the grant
Total program amount: \$1,844,860			

And be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That if additional funding becomes available from BCSH for the same purposes within the grant term, the City Council hereby accepts and appropriates those funds for the FHC-2 Project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or their designee is authorized to amend the grant agreements with the grantees in Table 1 above to increase the grant amounts, so long as the total grant amounts do not exceed the total amount of funds accepted and appropriated from BCSH; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby accepts, appropriates to Fund 2103, and authorizes the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with Oakland Housing Authority for the receipt of funds in an amount up to \$1,200,000 to operate the MCFIT programs; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council awards a grant agreement to EOCP in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,404 for the Matilda Cleveland and Families in Transition Programs from July 1, 2024 through April 30, 2027, using the funds specified in Table 2a:

Table 2(a): Matilda Cleveland Families in Transition			
PROJECT	AMOUNT	GRANT TERM	PROJECT NUMBER
EOCP – Families in Transition TH/RRH TH/RRH	\$200,217	7/1/24 - 6/30/27	1005635
EOCP Matilda Cleveland TH/RRH	\$115,000	7/1/24 - 6/30/27	1006681
EOCP – Families in Transition TH/RRH	\$399,187	7/1/24 - 6/30/27	1006324
EOCP – Families in Transition TH/RRH	\$186,000	7/1/24 - 6/30/27	1000017
Oakland Housing Authority LHAP	\$1,200,000	7/1/24 - 6/30/27	1004120
Total	\$2,100,404		

And be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council awards a grant agreement to EOCP in an amount not to exceed \$1,875,000 for the Family Matters Emergency Shelter for July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, using the funds specified in Table 2b:

Table 2b: Family Matters Shelter				
PROJECT	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT	GRANT TERM	PROJECT NUMBER
EOCP – Family Matters Shelter	MEASURE Q	\$1,875,000	7/1/24 - 9/30/25	1005349

And be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council awards a grant agreement to BFWC for homeless intervention services in an amount not to exceed \$352,000 for July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2026 below using City General Funds as shown in Table 3:

Table 3: Building Futures with Women and Children PATH			
FUNDING SOURCE	UP TO AMOUNT	GRANT TERM	PROJECT NUMBER
DP780 Admin Project	\$352,000	7/1/24 - 9/30/26	1000017

And be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That prior to execution, all agreements and amendments shall be reviewed and approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney and executed copies shall be filed with the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____

ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California