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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: Sara Bedford
Director, Human Services

SUBJECT: North County Homeless Youth Rapid
Rehousing (NCHYRRH)

DATE: February 1, 2017

City Administrator Approval

Date:

2/2/17

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To:

1. **Accept And Appropriate Funds From The U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development (HUD) In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,075,206 For The Period Of December 23, 2016 To December 22, 2017, To Implement The North County Homeless Youth Rapid Re-Housing Program (NCHYRRH);**
2. **Enter Into Grant Agreements With Covenant House Of California In An Amount Of Up To \$531,546, East Oakland Community Project (EOCP) In An Amount Up To \$240,034, And First Place For Youth In An Amount Up To \$266,126 To Provide Housing Placement Assistance, Rental Subsidies And Supportive Services For The NCHYRRH Program;**
3. **Authorize A Contribution From The General Purpose Fund For The Central Services Overhead Charges In An Estimated Amount Of \$6,803 For The Period Of December 23, 2016 To December 22, 2017; And**
4. **Accept And Appropriate Any Additional NCHYRRH Funding From HUD Within The Grant Term And Amend The Grant Agreements To Increase The Grant Amount For The Period Of December 23, 2016 To December 22, 2017 Without Returning To City Council.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report and resolution allow for creation of the North County Homeless Youth Rapid Re-Housing Program. The program will serve 60 youth with housing subsidies and intensive support services leading to self-sufficiency. Adoption of the proposed resolution would allow the City Administrator to enter into an agreement with The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to accept funds in the amount of \$1,075,206 for the period of December 23, 2016 through December 22, 2017 and appropriate said funds. Further, the proposed resolution would authorize the City Administrator to enter into grant agreements with East

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Oakland Community Project (EOCP) in the amount of \$240,034, First Place for Youth in the amount of \$266,126, and Covenant House of California in the amount of \$531,546. Together, these agencies will operate the North County Youth Rapid Rehousing Collaborative, providing Rapid Rehousing services to 60 homeless Transition Aged Youth (TAY) households, ages 18-24, per year.

BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The January 2015 EveryOne Home Homeless Count indicated that, on any given night, there are an estimated 253 homeless TAY in Oakland. 49 of these youth are unsheltered each night. In Berkeley there are an estimated 77 homeless TAY at any point in time with 35 of these youth unsheltered. These estimates are assumed to be low. In Oakland and Berkeley combined there are approximately 48 emergency shelter beds dedicated for homeless youth and an estimated 164 transitional housing beds for this population. There are currently no Rapid Rehousing programs dedicated specifically to serving homeless TAY.

In October 2015, HUD released its annual Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Continuum of Care (CoC) program competition. The City applied to fund a youth rapid re-housing program targeted at unsheltered and emergency housed TAY ages 18-24.

The City's Community Housing Services Division of the Human Services Department partnered with Oakland providers: East Oakland Community Project (EOCP), Covenant House California, and First Place for Youth, and with Berkeley provider Youth Engagement Advocacy Housing (YEAH!) in response to the HUD NOFA. Since the original application to HUD, YEAH! merged with Covenant House California but maintains its homeless youth programs in Berkeley. The North County Youth Rapid Rehousing Collaborative builds upon the existing collaboration of the same three youth agencies that collaborated on a HUD TAY Transitional Housing grant.

In August 2016, the City was notified that its proposal was accepted for HUD FY 2015 funding cycle, in the amount of \$1,075,206 to serve 60 TAY youth residing in Northern Alameda County with rapid re-housing and support services. The City received its grant award from HUD on December 23, 2016.

The North County Homeless Youth Rapid Rehousing collaboration is aligned with the Oakland's Permanent Access To Housing (PATH) Strategy. Both PATH and EveryOne Home are based on a Housing First program model that emphasizes client access to permanent housing rather than prolonged stays in shelters and transitional housing.

ANALYSIS

The City's proposed North County Homeless Youth Rapid Rehousing Collaborative targets 60 homeless TAY from Northern Alameda County who are residing in shelters and/or on the streets. Rapid Rehousing is a proven strategy for ending homelessness among single adults and families and is increasingly being recognized nationally as an intervention for ending youth

homelessness as well. The intervention focuses on having people quickly end their homelessness and obtain permanent housing. The three main components include: assistance with locating housing; short term (6-24 months) financial assistance for move in costs and rent subsidies; and, case management and services support.

The funding from HUD will allow the City to partner with three proven TAY housing and service providers, East Oakland Community Project, Covenant House California, and First Place for Youth to serve 60 homeless TAY youth, moving them from shelters or streets into permanent housing. The NCYRRHC continues the collaboration and coordination between the City and housing and service providers for which the elimination of homelessness in Oakland is a concrete objective.

FISCAL IMPACT

Recommendations in this report seek to accept and appropriate funds from the HUD in an amount up to \$1,075,206, for the grant period beginning December 23, 2016 through December 22, 2017, and, enter into grant agreements with selected homeless youth services providers to provide rapid re-housing and support to 60 homeless youth a year.

Grant funding will be appropriated to the HUD to Emergency Solutions/Supportive Housing Program/Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Fund (2103), Community Housing Services Organization (78411), FY 16-17COC/ NCHYRRH Project (TBD) and Fostering Safe and Healthy Communities Program (SC22) for the HUD CoC program.

Due to the HUD mandated administrative cap of seven percent for administration costs, the Human Services Department (HSD) is recommending a contribution from the General Purpose Fund equivalent to the full Central Services Overhead charges associated with this grant in an estimated amount of \$6,803 for the period of December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017. These funds would be used for an existing staff position that manages all of the HUD CoC funded grants

Funding to support the programs and activities presented in this report will be allocated towards the grant agreements and administrative costs contained in the table below.

FY 2016-2017			
OPERATING YEAR: December 23, 2016 – December 22, 2017			
	GRANTEE	AMOUNT	PROJECT
North County Youth Rapid Re-Housing	Covenant House of California	531,546	TBD
	East Oakland Community Project	240,034	TBD
	First Place For Youth	266,126	TBD
	City Administration	37,500	TBD
	TOTAL	\$1,075,206	

Further, if additional funding becomes available from HUD for the COC NCHYRRH program, staff recommends authority for the City Administrator to accept and appropriate additional funds from HUD within the existing grant term, December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017, and

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authority to amend the grant agreements with Covenant House of California, East Oakland Community Project and First Place for Youth to adjust the grant amounts, including increasing the grant funding, so long as the total does not exceed the total appropriation for the HUD CoC NCHYRRH program, without returning to Council.

PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST

This report did not require public outreach other than the posting of this report on the website.

COORDINATION

Coordination has occurred between the HSD, the Office of the City Attorney, and Controller's Bureau in the preparation of this report and resolution

PAST PERFORMANCE, EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

The existing Oakland Homeless Youth Housing Collaborative is composed of the same three homeless TAY serving partners (Covenant House of California, East Oakland Community Project, and First Place for Youth). Together, the collaborative achieved the following outcomes for the HUD grant period of August 1, 2015 to July 31, 2016:

- Served 70 TAY households, composed of 70 youth and 12 children.
- 76 percent of exits were to permanent housing.
- 98 percent of those who exited the program increased and/or maintained their income upon program exit

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: As noted in the report, all funds identified in this report are for the purpose of providing housing and services to eliminate and prevent homelessness. Such outcomes are achieved through rapid rehousing assistance, homelessness prevention, transitional housing, shelter services, homeless encampment services, and street outreach.

Environmental: The provision of housing for at-risk and homeless persons is intended to address the environmental degradation caused by homeless families and individuals precariously housed or living on the streets.

Social Equity: The expenditure of these funds is targeted to the most vulnerable and at-risk populations in this City and is providing essential and basic human services, housing, and support.

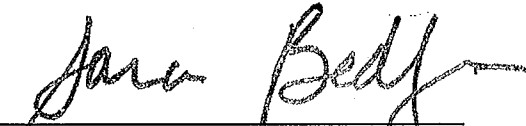
ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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4. Accept And Appropriate Any Additional NCHYRRH Funding From HUD Within The Grant Term And Amend The Grant Agreements To Increase The Grant Amount For The Period Of December 23, 2016 To December 22, 2017 Without Returning To City Council.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Lara Tannenbaum, Acting Manager, Community Housing Services Division, at 238-6187.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director, Human Services Department

COMMUNITY HOUSING SERVICES DIVISION

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Prepared by: Stevan Alvarado, Program Analyst

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO:

1. ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,075,206 FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 23, 2016 TO DECEMBER 22, 2017, TO IMPLEMENT THE NORTH COUNTY HOMELESS YOUTH RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM (NCHYRRH);
2. ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH COVENANT HOUSE OF CALIFORNIA IN AN AMOUNT OF UP TO \$531,546, EAST OAKLAND COMMUNITY PROJECT (EOCP) IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$240,034, AND FIRST PLACE FOR YOUTH IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$266,126 TO PROVIDE HOUSING PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE, RENTAL SUBSIDIES AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR THE NCHYRRH PROGRAM;
3. AUTHORIZE A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE GENERAL PURPOSE FUND FOR THE CENTRAL SERVICES OVERHEAD CHARGES IN AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$6,803 FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 23, 2016 TO DECEMBER 22, 2017; AND
4. ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE ANY ADDITIONAL NCHYRRH FUNDING FROM HUD WITHIN THE GRANT TERM AND AMEND THE GRANT AGREEMENTS TO INCREASE THE GRANT AMOUNT FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 23, 2016 TO DECEMBER 22, 2017 WITHOUT RETURNING TO CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS; the City of Oakland's existing five Continuum of Care projects consist of: Families in Transition Scattered Sites, Housing Fast Support Network, Matilda Cleveland, Oakland Homeless Youth Housing Collaborative, and North County Family Rapid Re-Housing Collaborative, which provide transitional housing, support services and rapid rehousing to homeless single adults, families, and transition aged youth under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland has applied for and received new funding under the HUD CoC Supportive Housing Program (SHP) for the North County Homeless Youth Rapid Re-Housing (NCHYRRH) program in the amount of \$1,075,206 for the period of December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017, to provide rapid rehousing to 60 homeless youth per year; and

WHEREAS, staff is seeking a contribution from the General Purpose Fund in the amount of \$6,803 to offset Central Service Overhead charges for the period of December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City will enter into grant agreements for the provision of rapid re-housing and support services with the following providers: Covenant House of California, East Oakland Community Project, and First Place for Youth to implement the newly funded NCHYRRH program by providing housing placement assistance, support services and rental subsidies to NCHYRRH participants; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to accept and appropriate funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in an amount not to exceed \$1,075,206 for the period of December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017 for rapid rehousing to 60 homeless youth to implement the NCHYRRH; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with Covenant House of California in an amount not to exceed \$531,546, East Oakland Community Project in an amount not to exceed \$240,034, and First Place for Youth in an amount not to exceed \$266,126, for the purpose of providing housing placement, support services, and rental assistance subsidies to the NCHYRRH program participants, for the period of December 23, 2016 to December 22 2017; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is authorized to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, modifications, payment requests, and related actions which may be necessary to execute the grant agreements; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council authorizes the City Administrator to appropriate the \$1,075,206 funding from HUD to Emergency Solutions/Supportive Housing Program/Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Fund (2103), Community Housing Services Organization (78411), FY1617COC/ NCHYRRH Project (TBD) and Fostering Safe and Healthy Communities Program (SC22) for the HUD CoC program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council authorizes a contribution from the General Purpose Fund to offset Community Housing Services Central Service Overhead charges associated with this grant in the estimated amount of \$6,803 for the period of December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized, without returning to City Council, to accept and appropriate additional funds from HUD for the NCHYRRH program within the grant term (December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is authorized, without returning to City Council, to amend the grant agreements with Covenant House of California, East Oakland Community Project, and First Place for Youth to adjust the grant amounts, including increasing the grant funding so long as the total does not exceed the total appropriated for the HUD CoC NCHYRRH program, within the grant term of December 23, 2016 to December 22, 2017; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the agreements authorized under this resolution shall be reviewed as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and copies will be filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, GUILLEN, KALB, KAPLAN, AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____
LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California