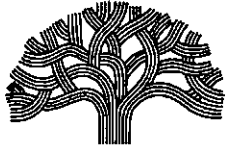


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# AGENDA REPORT

**TO:** JOHN A. FLORES  
INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

**FROM:** Sara Bedford

**SUBJECT:** 2015-2017 Alameda County Social  
Services Agency Match Funding

**DATE:** April 14, 2015

City Administrator  
Approval

Date

4/15/15

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** City-Wide

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt:

**A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To 1) Enter Into An Agreement With Alameda County Social Service Agency (SSA) To Accept And Appropriate A \$286,110 Each Year For Fiscal Years 2015-2016 And 2016-2017 For The Henry J. Robinson Multi Service Center, 2) Enter Into Grant Agreements With Bay Area Community Services In The Amount Of \$268,943 For The Provision Of Transitional Housing And Support Services At The Henry J. Robinson Multi Service Center Each Year For Fiscal Years 2015-2016 And 2016-2017, If the City Receives SSA Funding, And 3) Authorizing A Contribution From The General Purpose Fund In The Amount Equivalent To The Department's Central Services Overhead In An Estimated Amount Of \$759 Each Year For Fiscal Years 2015-2016 And 2016-2017**

## OUTCOME

Adoption of this resolution will allow City to accept and allocate funds to ensure level, if not greater, success compared to 2014-2015 outcomes referenced below, for the Housing Fast Support Network (HFSN) program, located in the Henry J. Robinson Multi Service Center (HRMSC).

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Performance During the 2014-2015 program/fiscal year:

***Housing Fast Support Network (HFSN)***

- 261 individual households received transitional housing and support services from March 2014- February 2015.
- 68 percent (92 individual households) of all individuals exiting the HRMSC were placed into permanent housing.
- 79 percent (73 households of 92 households that exited to permanent housing) of the exits to permanent housing did so without on-going subsidy.

This resolution authorizes the City Administrator to enter in an agreement with Alameda County Social Services Agency (SSA) in order to receive HFSN match funds in the amount of \$286,110 each year for fiscal years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017, appropriate said funds, and enter into grant agreements with Bay Area Community Services for the provision of transitional housing and support services under the HFSN program for Fiscal Years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017.

**BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY**

The Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded HFSN program housed at the HRMSC, started in 1993, continues to build on the partnership with County departments, i.e., Behavioral Health Care Services, the Public Health Department, Social Services Agency, Housing and Community Development, and EveryOne Home, with services and program administration provided by service providers under contracts with the City of Oakland. The HFSN program helps adult homeless clients living in homeless encampments or living in shelters, to move into permanent housing with targeted services and subsidies.

One of the HUD funding requirements is cash/in-kind match funding, that is partially satisfied through the Alameda County SSA grant funds. The SSA grant of \$286,100 helps the City meet the annual match requirement set forth in the HUD grant award letter. The City and County partnership underscores the role the HRMSC plays in addressing homelessness.

**ANALYSIS**

Oakland City Council authorization of the staff recommendations included in this Council report and resolution supports objectives of the HUD grant-funded program located at the HRMSC, to increase housing opportunities for homeless persons, prevent homelessness and other housing crises, as well as deliver flexible services to support stability and independence of the City's homeless and near homeless populations.

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Further, with City Council's authorization to enter into funding arrangements, Oakland will continue to receive \$286,110 each year in Alameda County Social Services Agency matching funds to assist in leveraging \$1,864,465 on Federal funds from United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Staff will contract with Bay Area Community Services to deliver transitional housing and support services to persons living in homeless encampments. Additionally, the Bay Area Community Services will help residents from HRMSC to move into permanent housing with targeted services in support of HRMSC's ultimate goal of obtaining stable housing and the resources necessary to maintain housing.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**

This report did not require public outreach, other than the publication of this report on the City's website.

**COORDINATION**

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

**COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS**

Approval of this resolution authorizes the acceptance and appropriation of \$286,110 in Alameda County SSA funds each year for fiscal years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017. In addition, City staff will execute grant agreements for an amount up to \$268,943 with Bay Area Community Services as the operator of the Henry J. Robinson Multi Service Center each year for fiscal years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017, assuming the City receives SSA funding, to meet the match requirements of the HUD funds (Fund 2160, Project H80610). The City will use \$17,167 of the SSA funds to comply with administration and reporting requirements required by the SSA grant agreement.

**PAST PERFORMANCE, EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP**

For a review period of March 1, 2014 through February 28, 2015, Bay Area Community Services, the operator of the Henry J. Robinson Multi Service Center and grantee of the SSA grant funds, have met and in some cases exceeded expected outcomes and performance measures.

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**SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

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

***Environmental:*** The provision of transitional housing and support services is intended to address the environmental degradation caused by homeless 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.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Susan Shelton, Community Housing Services Manager, at 238-6186.

Respectfully submitted,



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COMMUNITY HOUSING SERVICES DIVISION

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Prepared by Stevan Alvarado, Program Analyst II

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Approved as to Form and Legality

  
City Attorney

# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO 1) ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ALAMEDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY (SSA) TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE \$286,110 EACH YEAR FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015-2016 AND 2016-2017 FOR THE HENRY J. ROBINSON MULTI SERVICE CENTER, 2) ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH BAY AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$268,943 FOR THE PROVISION OF TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AND SUPPORT SERVICES AT THE HENRY J. ROBINSON MULTI SERVICE CENTER EACH YEAR FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015-2016 AND 2016-2017, IF CITY RECEIVES SSA FUNDING, AND 3) AUTHORIZING A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE GENERAL PURPOSE FUND IN THE AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO THE DEPARTMENT'S CENTRAL SERVICES OVERHEAD IN AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$759 EACH YEAR FOR FISCAL YEARS 2015-2016 AND 2016-2017**

**WHEREAS**, the Alameda County Social Services Agency (SSA) has partnered with the City since 1991 to provide program match funds to the Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Transitional Housing Program (THP) that provides support services and transitional housing to homeless single adults; and

**WHEREAS**, the HUD THP program located at the Henry J. Robinson Multi Service Center has used the SSA funds to satisfy the HUD match requirement for its grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the County SSA grant is a one year funding cycle and City staff expects that the City of Oakland will receive the same amounts for Fiscal Years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017, and seeks authorization to enter into an agreement with Alameda County SSA to accept and appropriate those funds as they become available; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to execute grant agreements with Bay Area Community Services in the amount of \$268,943 to provide transitional housing and support services to homeless single adults at the Henry J Robinson Multi Service Center (HRMSC) each year for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and for 2016-2017, if City receives SSA funding; and

**WHEREAS**, funds will be deposited and appropriated in Fund 2160, Project H80610; and

**WHEREAS**, the City uses \$17,167 of the SSA grant funds to comply with administration and reporting requirements set forth in the SSA grant agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, staff is requesting a contribution from the general purpose fund in an amount equivalent to the Department's Central Services Overhead in an estimated amount of \$759 each year for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and 2016-2017; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Alameda County SSA to accept and appropriate SSA funds in the amount of \$286,110 each year for Fiscal Years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017, and to increase or reduce these appropriations depending on the exact SSA award without returning to Council; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the funds will be deposited in Fund 2160, Project H80610; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City will use \$17,167 of the SSA grant funds to satisfy administration and reporting requirements set forth in the SSA grant agreement; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator or his designee is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with Bay Area Community Services in an amount not to exceed \$268,943 for transitional housing and support services at the HRMSC each year for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, if City receives SSA funding; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Council hereby authorizes a contribution from the General Purpose Fund in an amount equivalent to the Department's Central Services Overhead in an estimated amount of \$759 each year for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and 2016-2017; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator or his designee is hereby authorized to negotiate, submit and execute all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, grant agreements, amendments, payment requests, reports, and related actions for the completion of this program for Fiscal Years 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 without returning to Council; and be it,

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the above agreements shall be reviewed and approved by the Office of the City Attorney for form and legality and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_

**LATONDA SIMMONS**  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
of the City of Oakland, California