

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



<b>Agenda Date:</b>	July 20, 2020
<b>Action Required:</b>	Approve appropriation
<b>Presenter:</b>	Kaki Dimock, Director, Department of Human Services
<b>Staff Contacts:</b>	Sue Moffett, Assistant Director, Department of Social Services
<b>Title:</b>	Emergency Food and Shelter Program-C.A.R.E.S. act funding

**Background:**

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program (E.F.S.P.) Local Board in Charlottesville allocated the City of Charlottesville Department of Human Services \$7,099 from the Corona Virus Relief Fund (C.A.R.E.S. Act).

This funding supports the cost of alternate lodging for community members who must quarantine or isolate due to COVID-19 and are unable to return to their usual place of residence. Funds will be prioritized to support alternative housing options for people that test positive for the disease at testing initiatives.

**Discussion:**

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program (E.F.S.P) is a federally funded program administrated by F.E.M.A. Authorized by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987 (P.L. 100-77; reauthorized under P.L. 100-628). E.F.S.P. supplements and expands ongoing work of local social service organizations, both nonprofit and governmental.

The C.A.RE.S. Act Corona virus relief fund was established to mitigate the impact of the corona virus pandemic. The C.A.R.E.S. Act requires that the payments from the Coronavirus Relief Fund only be used to cover expenses that—

- are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19);
- were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the C.A.R.E.S. Act) for the State or local government; and
- are incurred between March 1, 2020, and December 30, 2020.

**Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan:**

This appropriation request is aligned with the City Council's vision, which includes being flexible and progressive in anticipating and responding to the needs of our citizens, and supporting self-sufficiency of residents.

**Community Engagement:**

The Department of Human Services in collaboration with other Regional Emergency Operation Center partners: The Department of Social Services, The Thomas Jefferson Area Health District, and the Thomas Jefferson Area United Way; is working to meet the shelter and support needs for vulnerable community members impacted by COVID 19.

**Budgetary Impact:**

There are no general funds required or being requested.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of these funds.

**Alternatives:**

We may not be available to meet the isolation and quarantine needs of our community members if the appropriation is not approved.

**Attachments:**

Appropriation

**APPROPRIATION**  
**Emergency Food and Shelter Program \$7,099**

**WHEREAS**, the Charlottesville Department of Human Services has receives \$7,099 from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program-C.A.R.E.S. Act funding,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$7,099 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

Revenues			
\$7,099	Fund: 210	IO: 1900367	G/L: 451022 Other Grant Funding

Expenditures			
\$7,099	Fund: 210	IO: 1900367	G/L: 530550 Contracted Services

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this appropriation is conditioned upon receipt of \$7,099 from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program – C.A.R.E.S. Act funding.