

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



Agenda Date:	June 21, 2021
Action Required:	Resolution to Appropriate
Presenter:	Kaki Dimock, Director, Human Services
Staff Contacts:	Kaki Dimock, Director, Human Services
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Amended COVID Homelessness Emergency Response Program (C.H.E.R.P.) Grant Award - \$201,120</b>

**Background:**

The Department of Human Services in coordination with the Thomas Jefferson Area Coalition for the Homeless (T.J.A.C.H.) and the Service Provider Council (S.P.C.), applied for and received a grant from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development. The original COVID Supplement for the Virginia Housing Solutions Program award of \$283,742 was granted and then amended to a total of \$806,594 and the contract period extended to September 20, 2022. An additional \$201,120 has been provided in a second amended award. This portion of the C.H.E.R.P. award may be spent during the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 and must be used for noncongregate emergency shelter operation expenses and related administrative expenses.

**Discussion:**

The City of Charlottesville has staff from the departments of Human Services and Social Services taking leadership roles in the governance of T.J.A.C.H. The grant provides services in several points along the local continuum of services including emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, and system coordination.

**Community Engagement:**

This grant and plan are the product of extensive engagement of the service provider community for persons experiencing homelessness. This partnership is reflective of the new governance model for T.J.A.C.H. and the priority requests of the Interfaith Movement Promoting Action by Congregations Together (IMPACT).

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

This grant advances the City of Charlottesville's Strategic Plan Goal #1 of an inclusive community of self-sufficient residents. Specifically, it will facilitate the objective of increasing affordable housing options.

**Budgetary Impact:**

There is no budget impact for the City of Charlottesville. This grant will be entirely Federal pass-through funds and no local match is required. All funds will be distributed to sub-recipients for service provision.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of grant funds.

**Alternatives:**

Council may elect to not accept the funds and the community will not have the capacity to administer the following services to persons experiencing a housing crisis: Emergency low-barrier shelter, rapid rehousing, coordination and administration.

**Attachments:**

Appropriation & Contract Documents

**RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR  
COVID Homelessness Emergency Response Program (C.H.E.R.P.) Grant Amendment  
\$201,120**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Charlottesville, through the Department of Human Services, has received the C.H.E.R.P. Grant from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development in the amount of \$201,120.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$201,120 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

Revenues

\$201,120      Fund: 209      IO: 1900401      G/L: 430120 Federal Pass Thru

Expenditures

\$201,120      Fund: 209      IO: 1900401      G/L: 530550 Contracted Services

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this appropriation is conditioned upon receipt of \$201,120 in funds from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

**GRANT AMENDMENT**  
**COVID Homelessness Emergency Response Program Funding**  
**Program Year 2020 - 2022**

**20-CHERP-008**

This Amendment documents that the following language in the Program Year 2020-2022 grant agreement has changed.

**Original Language**

This Grant Agreement is made by and between the **Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (“DHCD”)**, and **City of Charlottesville (“Grantee”)** for the period of **April 2, 2020 to September 20, 2022** in the amount of **\$836,380**. Included in this amount are the following:

- **\$0** in state funds to support emergency shelter operations and administrative expenses from April 2, 2020 to December 30, 2020.
- **\$806,594** in federal funds to support emergency shelter operations, targeted prevention, rapid re-housing, and administrative activities from April 2, 2020 to September 20, 2022.
- **\$29,786** in federal funds to support HMIS activities from April 2, 2020 to September 20, 2022.

**Amended Language**

This Grant Agreement is made by and between the **Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (“DHCD”)**, and **City of Charlottesville (“Grantee”)** for the period of **April 2, 2020 to September 20, 2022** in the amount of **\$1,037,500**. Included in this amount are the following:

- **\$0** in state funds to support emergency shelter operations and administrative expenses from April 2, 2020 to December 30, 2020.
- **\$806,594** in federal funds to support emergency shelter operations, targeted prevention, rapid re-housing, and administrative activities from April 2, 2020 to September 20, 2022.
- **\$29,786** in federal funds to support HMIS activities from April 2, 2020 to September 20, 2022.
- **\$201,120** in state funds from the Virginia Housing Trust Fund to support non-congregate emergency shelter operations and administrative expenses from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

The Agreement is hereby executed by the parties on the date set forth below their respective signatures as follows:

**Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development**



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Pamela G. Kestner, Acting Deputy Director

4/29/21  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**City of Charlottesville**

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Signature

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Name (printed or typed)

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Title

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Date