CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



| Agenda Date: | July 19, 2021 | |
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| Action Required: | Approve Appropriation | |
| Presenter: | Sue Moffett, Director, Department of Social Services | |
| Staff Contacts: | Jenny Jones, Chief of Family Services, Department of Social Services Laura Morris, Chief of Administration, Department of Social Services | |
| Title: | Resolution Appropriating Funding for Family First Prevention Services Act funding for Department of Social Services Family Services Staffing \$164,607 | |

Background:

The Virginia General Assembly 2020 Special Session I Appropriation Act, Chapter 56, included additional funding beginning in FY 2022 for local departments of social services (LDSS) to expand foster care prevention services as a result of the Family First Prevention Services Act. The Charlottesville Department of Social Services has received \$164,607 from this additional funding.

Discussion:

The department has identified a need to add one Family Services Specialist position and one Family Services Assistant-parent navigator position to its Foster Care Prevention team due to increasing caseloads and impending program changes related to the Family First legislature. These two new positions will be funded in FY 2022 by the additional funds received.

Alignment with Council Vision Areas and Strategic Plan:

Approval of this agenda item aligns with the City's mission to provide services that promote equity and an excellent quality of life in our community. It is consistent with Strategic Plan Goal 2: A Healthy and Safe City, Objective 2.2, Meet the safety needs of victims and reduce the risk of re-occurrence/re-victimization.

Community Engagement:

Department staff work directly with citizens to provide social services, protect vulnerable children and adults, and promote self sufficiency.

Budgetary Impact:

The Virginia Department of Social Services is providing 100% of the funding for FY22 with no local general fund match required. A 15.50% local general fund match will be required beginning in FY23 and in future years. The department is not requesting any new general funds for these positions and plans to absorb the local match needed within its budget due to a planned downward re-classification of a vacant management-level position in FY22.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of these funds.

Alternatives:

Funds that are not appropriated will need to be returned to the Virginia Department of Social Services. If funds are not appropriated we will not be able to increase staffing for our foster care prevention team to serve at-risk children and families.

Attachments:

Resolution Appropriation Funding

RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR Additional Funding for New Department of Social Services Family Services Staffing \$164,607

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville Department of Social Services has received an additional \$164,607 in the Fiscal Year 2022 budget from the Virginia Department of Social Services to be used for Foster Care Prevention Services staffing,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville,

Virginia, that the sum of \$164,607 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

<u>Revenue – \$164,607</u>

| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 9900000000 | G/L Account: 430080 | \$164,607 | |
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| Expenditures - \$164,607 | | | | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 510010 | \$96,304 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 511010 | \$ 7,367 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 510020 | \$28,554 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 511030 | \$ 695 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 511040 | \$18,144 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 510161 | \$ 604 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 510130 | \$ 2,688 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 525251 | \$ 972 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 530030 | \$ 529 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 530320 | \$ 6,404 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 530216 | \$ 597 | |
| Fund: 212 | Cost Center: 3301008000 | G/L Account: 520010 | \$ 1,749 | |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of \$164,607 in funding from the Virginia Department of Social Services.