

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date:	March 21, 2022
Action Required:	Approval of Resolution (Appropriation, 1 st of 2 Readings)
Presenter:	Misty Graves, Interim Director, Human Services
Staff Contacts:	Misty Graves, Interim Director, Human Services
Title:	COVID Homelessness Emergency Response Program (C.H.E.R.P.) – Community Development Block Grant Amendment (\$200,000)

Background:

A C.O.V.I.D. Homelessness Emergency Response Program amended grant of \$200,000 has been awarded to support non-congregate emergency shelter operations and administrative expenses from July 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022. The Thomas Jefferson Area Coalition for the Homeless plans, designs and coordinates the local homelessness continuum of care and is the provider of record for data collection.

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. This grant supports the additional costs associated with maintaining the required data associated with the C.O.V.I.D. global pandemic.

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:

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

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, coordinated assessment, rapid rehousing, H.M.I.S., coalition coordination and administration.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of grant funds.

Suggested motion: "I move the Resolution Appropriating CHERP CDBG Block Grant Funding in the Amount of \$200,000 to the City's Department of Human Services for Expenditure"

Attachment (1):

Resolution

Suggested motion: "I move the Resolution Appropriating CHERP CDBG Block Grant Funding in the Amount of \$200,000 to the City's Department of Human Services for Expenditure

RESOLUTION

**Appropriating COVID Homelessness Emergency Response Program (C.H.E.R.P.)
Community Development Block Grant Funding Received from the Commonwealth in the
Amount of \$200,000**

WHEREAS, The City of Charlottesville's Department of Human Services, has received C.H.E.R.P. Grant funding from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, in the amount of **\$200,000**.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that, upon receipt of the CHERP Grant funding, the sum of **\$200,000** is hereby appropriated for expenditure by the City's Department of Human Services in accordance with grant requirements, in the following manner:

Revenues
\$200,000 Fund: 209 IO: 1900448 G/L: 430120 Federal Pass Thru

Expenditures
\$200,000 Fund: 209 IO: 1900448 G/L: 530550 Contracted Services