



# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

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September 20, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

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**Subject: AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$1,460,000 IN MEASURE H, COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM (CES) FOR INDIVIDUALS AND YOUTH FUNDS FOR OPERATION OF CITY OF POMONA YEAR-ROUND SHELTER CRISIS BEDS PROGRAM, AND AMENDING FY 2021-22 OPERATING BUDGET TO DECREASE STATE HEAP REVENUE ESTIMATES BY \$103,913 AND DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS BY \$25,244**

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## RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-118 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$1,460,000 IN MEASURE H, COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM (CES) FOR INDIVIDUALS AND YOUTH FUNDS FOR OPERATION OF CITY OF POMONA YEAR-ROUND SHELTER CRISIS BEDS PROGRAM, AND AMENDING FY 2021-22 OPERATING BUDGET TO DECREASE STATE HEAP REVENUE ESTIMATES BY \$103,913 AND DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS BY \$25,244, AND AMENDING THE AGREEMENT WITH VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA LOS ANGELES BY AWARDED \$1,381,786 TO OPERATE THE CRISIS HOUSING PROGRAM AT THE HOPE FOR HOME HOMELESS SERVICES CENTER AS SITE OPERATOR**

2. Authorize the City Manager to execute all agreements and any other documentation requested for acceptance of the award, distribution of the funding and operation of the Hope for Home Crisis Housing Program, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) has informed the City of Pomona that it has been awarded \$1,460,000 in Coordinated Entry System (CES) for Individuals and Youth funds, from Los Angeles County Measure H funding, with the goal of supporting persons experiencing homelessness. The contract period for this award is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The intent of this funding is to provide financial resources for direct operations and administrative costs associated with operating the Year-Round Emergency Shelter (Hope for Home Services Center) located at 1400 E. Mission. As the agency selected by the City Council to be the sole source recipient of funding dedicated to operating Hope for Home Services Center for an initial 5-year period, Volunteers of America of Greater Los Angeles (VOALA) will be awarded \$1,381,786 of this funding to administer and operate the City of Pomona Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds program.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Authorize the acceptance of \$1,460,000 in County of Los Angeles Measure H Special Funds for Operation of a Crisis Housing Program at the Hope for Home Services Center, allocating 1,303,573 in County Measure H funds to 139-1791-XXXXX-65408 for program operation and \$156,427 to 139-1702-XXXXX-65408 for administrative costs. Of the \$156,427, \$78,214 will be awarded to Volunteers of America Los Angeles (VOALA) for grant administration and the balance will be utilized by the City of Pomona for grant administration. Since this grant fund has historically been awarded \$1,460,000 on an annual renewal basis, the revenue estimates and appropriations for this program was approved as part of the City's FY 2021-22 budget process needing the following budget adjustments to match the \$1,460,000 award:

<b>Revenue Account #</b>	<b>Change to 2021-22 Revenue Estimates</b>	<b>Expenditure Account #</b>	<b>Requested 2021-22 Appropriation (\$)</b>
139-1702-40903-65408	-\$103,913	139-1702-51012-65408	\$ 2,868
		139-1702-52285-65408	-\$28,112
<b>Total</b>	<b>-\$103,913</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>-\$25,244</b>

## **PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:**

On September 12, 2016, City Council declared a “shelter crisis” within the City of Pomona with Resolution 2016-138. On November 21, 2016, City Council authorized the Purchase of Real Property located at 1400 East Mission Boulevard for development of a Year-Round Emergency Shelter. On July 17, 2017, Volunteers of America Los Angeles was selected as the site operator of the Year-Round Emergency Shelter for an initial 5-year period and was approved as the sole source subrecipient of future funds identified to operate the Year-Round Emergency Shelter. On July 2, 2018, the City Council approved an award of \$1,460,000 in Los Angeles County Measure H funding to operate the Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds Program at the Hope for Home Services Center from July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020. On October 19, 2020, the City Council approved a partial contract award of \$486,667 in Los Angeles County Measure H funding to operate

the Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds Program at the Hope for Home Services Center from July 1, 2020 – October 31, 2020. On December 21, 2020, the City Council approved an additional contract award of \$973,333 in Los Angeles County Measure H funding to operate the Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds Program at the Hope for Home Services Center from November 1, 2020 – June 30 2021.

## **DISCUSSION:**

On February 9, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted the County's Homelessness Initiative Strategies to Combat Homelessness. The Homeless Initiative includes six key areas of focus and fifty-one strategies developed to combat homelessness in Los Angeles County. This initiative is in part funded by Measure H funds, a quarter-cent sales tax voted for by Los Angeles County constituents in March 2017. Two of the strategies eligible for funding under the Homeless Initiative are "Strategy E1 – Create a Coordinated System" and "Strategy E8 – Enhance the Emergency Shelter System."

On September 19, 2017, the City of Pomona responded to a Request for Proposals (RFP) released by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), applying to fund 100 crisis beds to be operated in the Year-Round Emergency Shelter being constructed by the City of Pomona. In October 2017, LAHSA awarded contract number 2017CESSAY54 to the City of Pomona to implement a Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds program. On June 19, 2018, the City of Pomona was notified by LAHSA that it was awarded \$1,460,000. These funds were to be used to operate the Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds Program beginning on July 1, 2018, with annualized renewals.

Recently, LAHSA has informed the City of Pomona that it has been awarded an annual renewal of \$1,460,000 in Coordinated Entry System (CES) for Individuals and Youth funds, from Los Angeles County Measure H funding, for operation costs of the 100-bed Crisis Housing Program at the Hope for Home Services Center. These costs include salaries and benefits for monitors and case managers who will provide supervision and client care for housing residents, assessment, case plan development, and ongoing case management; telephone and communications costs, housekeeping supplies, facility maintenance and repair, utilities, food and client meals, and other indirect costs. The contract period is from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

As the agency selected by the City Council to be the sole source recipient of funding dedicated to operating the Year-Round Emergency Shelter for an initial 5-year period, VOALA will be awarded \$1,381,786 of this funding to administer and operate the City of Pomona Year-Round Shelter Crisis Beds program.

**COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:** This action supports City Council Goal K – to reduce the unsheltered homeless population by 10% annually and take actions to mitigate the impacts of homelessness on the community.

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Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2021-118