

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

File #: 19-101 Board Meeting Date: 1/29/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None

Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Nicole Pollack, Director, Human Services Agency

Subject: Measure K: Amendment to the agreement with Samaritan House for Safe Harbor

Homeless Shelter Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Measure K: Adopt a resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Samaritan House for homeless shelter services, increasing the total obligation amount by \$187,250 for a new total obligation not to exceed \$1,988,230, with the term remaining July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

BACKGROUND:

On June 27, 2017 the County entered into an agreement, by resolution number 075291, with Samaritan House for the term of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 and a total obligation of \$1,800,980. Safe Harbor is located in South San Francisco and is a 90-bed shelter that provides emergency and transitional, shelter program services for homeless adult individuals.

Safe Harbor shelter previously received \$107,000 per year in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) funding. However, due to changing HUD funding priorities, Safe Harbor lost that funding source as of October 2018.

DISCUSSION:

This amendment adds funding in the amount of \$80,250 for FY 2018-19 and \$107,000 for FY 2019-20. This funding will allow Samaritan House to continue to operate the Safe Harbor emergency and transitional shelter, maintain a safe and healthy facility, and provide housing-focused case management services to all clients at a level consistent to that prior to a loss of HUD funding. This amendment adds funding to replace the loss of HUD funding to maintain capacity and services.

The resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendments of the County's fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the amendment and resolution as to form.

This agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Prosperous Community by creating a livable and sustainable community, linking housing and community services to vulnerable San Mateo County residents in a comprehensive and responsive program. It is anticipated that for FY 2018-19, 20% of individuals in the emergency shelter program will exit into a permanent housing situation. This measure is projected to increase to 25% for FY 2019-20. It is also anticipated that the average length of stay for individuals in the transitional shelter program will be 120 days for both FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

			FY 2019-20 Projected
Percent of all individuals in the emergency shelter program who exit, will do so into a permanent housing situation.		20%	25%
Average length of stay for individuals in the transitional shelter program.	90 days	120 days	120 days

FISCAL IMPACT:

This amendment increases funding by \$187,250 for a new total obligation not to exceed \$1,988,230. Of the total agreement amount, \$561,365 is funded by **Measure K** sales and use tax and \$1,426,865 is funded by Net County Cost. Budgetary appropriation for this obligation was included in the FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 Adopted Budgets, and will be included in the FY 2019-20 Recommended Budget.