



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

File #: 20-231

Board Meeting Date: 4/21/2020

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Ken Cole, Human Services Agency Director

Subject: Acceptance of Funds from California Department of Social Services and Amendment to the Agreement with Abode Services for Rapid Re-Housing

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing:

- A) The acceptance of funding from the California Department of Social Services for California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Housing Support Program funds in the amount of \$2,268,000; and
- B) An amendment to the agreement with Abode Services to increase the contract amount by \$2,268,000 for a new total obligation not to exceed \$7,808,875 to match the additional funding allocation received for Fiscal Year 2019-20 from the California Department of Social Services, with no change to the contract term.

BACKGROUND:

The San Mateo County Human Services Agency (HSA) is the lead agency for the San Mateo County Continuum of Care (CoC) and oversees the CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids) Program in San Mateo County. HSA has re-applied for funding for the CalWORKs Housing Support Program (HSP) Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) Program to foster housing stability for homeless families in the CalWORKs Program. HSA is committed to ensuring that the HSP Program is fully aligned with the CoC and its Strategic Plan to End Homelessness (2016-2020).

On May 9, 2016, HSA conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) and selected Abode Services as the vendor that best matched the service needs of the County and HSP. On November 15, 2016, HSA entered into an agreement with Abode Services for the administration of HSP on January 29, 2017 for the amount of \$924,299. The parties executed subsequent amendments to the agreement, which increased the total obligation amount to \$5,540,875 and extended its term through June 30, 2020 in order to increase the number of families served.

DISCUSSION:

In June 2019, CDSS Housing and Homelessness Bureau released a program update template to California counties to report outcomes and need for additional FY 2019-20 funds for their HSP programs. As a result, San Mateo County has received an allocation of \$2,268,000 to support HSP through FY 2019-20. Abode Services and HSA now wish to further amend the Agreement to increase the total contract amount by \$2,268,000 for a new total obligation not to exceed \$7,808,875 to match the additional funding allocation received for FY 2019-20 from the California Department of Social Services for the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Housing Support Program.

The funding for the program is as follows: \$924,299 for FY 2016-17; \$2,499,238 for FY 2017-18; \$2,117,338 for FY 2018-19 and \$2,268,000 for FY 2019-20 for a total of \$7,808,875. The amendment amends the agreement total to match the CDSS allocations.

The approval of these funds allows HSA to continue to provide critical services to CalWORKs families.

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

The resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 19-20 Actual	FY 19-20 Anticipated
Number of households served (referred to and enrolled in program).	50	46
Percentage of enrolled families who exit into permanent housing.	75%	75%

FISCAL IMPACT:

This amendment adds \$2,268,000 in funding to the agreement for a new total obligation that matches the total CDSS allocation in the amount of \$7,808,875. This amendment is 100% state and federally funded by the CalWORKs HSP and Family Stabilization allocations. There is no Net County Cost. Appropriations for this agreement were included in the FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget.