



City of Orange

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TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THRU: Bonnie Hagan, Acting City Manager

FROM: Dan Adams, Chief of Police

1. SUBJECT

Appropriation of \$31,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act for the Homeless Outreach Program.

2. SUMMARY

Staff is recommending the appropriation of \$31,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act for expenses to implement the Homeless Outreach Program.

3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the appropriation of \$31,000 into the following expenditure accounts:

310.4011.51030.30180	Cellular Phones	\$2,000
310.4011.53030.30180	Uniforms	2,000
310.4011.55131.30180	Equipment	27,000
Total		<u>\$31,000</u>

4. FISCAL IMPACT

The total appropriations for this grant are funded by the additional revenue received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 3: Enhance and promote quality of life in the community

- e: Develop and strengthen collaborative partnerships to enhance and promote quality of life programs, projects, and services.

6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV3) funds to the City are to be used for pandemic related projects. These relief funds are from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act that was approved and signed into law on March 27, 2020.

In June 2021, staff recommended allocating \$1,108,070 in CDBG-CV3 funds to be used to establish and operate the Homeless Outreach Program. The program would engage with and conduct outreach to the homeless population in Orange and refer them to homeless-related services including case management and housing navigation centers. Staff anticipates that the new Homeless Outreach Program will contact 3,000 homeless persons within a three-year period.

To deploy outreach services and engagement, the City shall provide two non-sworn outreach workers to assist the homeless population. Funding for these outreach workers, in the amount of \$192,665, was included as part of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget. In addition to staff time, operating expenses related to the Homeless Outreach Program are estimated at \$31,000 and are fully covered under the CDBG-CV3 funds. Operating costs include the purchase of cellular phones, uniforms, radios, body worn cameras, desktop computers, one laptop, and task chairs.

Contractual Services:

Cellular phones and airtime	\$2,000
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Materials & Supplies:

Uniforms	\$2,000
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Equipment:

Communication radios	\$12,000
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Body Worn Cameras	8,000
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Desktop computers and rugged laptop	6,000
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Task chairs	1,000
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Total	\$27,000
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Total Expenditure	\$31,000
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The program will include a recurring cost of approximately \$5,000 for years two and three aimed at maintaining air time for cellular devices, an evidence.com bundle package for body worn cameras, and uniforms. The remaining two appropriations for years two and three will be included in a decision package beginning in Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Program activities shall be tracked and reported in a quarterly progress report to fulfill the reporting requirements of the grant.

An appropriation of \$31,000 from the CDBG-CV3 unreserved fund balance is necessary to cover the costs to implement the Homeless Outreach Program.

7. ATTACHMENTS

- None