COUNCIL COMMUNICATION					
CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	24-389	Meeting:	October 7, 2024	
	Agenda Item:	22	Roll Call:	24-1350	
	Submitted by:	Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Department Director			

AGENDA HEADING:

2024 Continuum of Care (CoC) grant recommendations for competitive application, including noncompetitive award of Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) renewal and replacement grants, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

SYNOPSIS:

This action is for City Council to approve the recommendations and an application to HUD for the 2024 CoC Program, to be awarded in 2025, which provides funding for efforts by community partners to quickly re-house homeless persons, minimize trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness, to promote access to programs, and optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness. The application and subrecipient ranking are as recommended by Homeward, formerly Polk County Continuum of Care, Board and its Grant Review Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$6,410,648

<u>Funding Source</u>: Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 Operating Budget, Neighborhood Services Department, Special Revenue and Other Funds, Grants, Homeless Grants, Page 152

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Every year, HUD releases a notification of funding for the CoC Program. This year, the notice was issued on July 31, 2024. The application is due October 30, 2024.
- Homeward, in partnership with the City, facilitates a local competitive grant review process where service providers working with homeless or persons at risk of homeless submit proposals for funding renewal or new programs. Most proposals are funding renewal requests of existing programs.
- As part of the competitive application process, CoC Programs have been asked to prioritize projects as the most effective programs, serving the most vulnerable population, utilizing a coordinated intake system, and practice housing first and cost effectiveness. Renewal projects are prioritized over new projects.

- When prioritizing and ranking projects, there are two (2) tiers. Some providers may be at risk of losing funding if categorized into Tier 2. In the 2024 cycle, one (1) new project is categorized into Tier 2 and one (1) new project is split between Tier 1 and Tier 2. Both are Anawim projects.
- The 2024 HUD CoC Program allows the City and Homeward to channel \$3,214,616 in federal funds to support nine (9) regular CoC projects with potential to fund two (2) new projects for \$1,937,123, for a total of \$5,151,739.
- In addition, \$72,719 is available for six (6) CoC projects to address youth homelessness.
- Funds are also being requested for planning and administration for Homeward staff; the planning grant request is \$286,190.
- The Homeward Board of Directors met on September 23, 2024, to approve the CoC applicant rankings and forward those to the City Council for approval.

	C Application Ranking (Competitive)		
Applicant	Program Component	Amount	
Anawim	Permanent Supportive Housing for Youth	\$ 248,163	
Institute for Community Alliances (ICA)	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 108,419	
Primary Health Care (PHC)	Rapid Rehousing, Consolidated	\$ 411,024	
Primary Health Care (PHC)	Centralized Intake	\$ 147,882	
Children and Families of Iowa (CFI)	Rapid Rehousing (Domestic Violence Bonus Funding) II	\$ 492,699	
Anawim	im Permanent Supportive Housing; Housing Opportunity Program Consolidated		
Iowa Homeless Youth Center (IHYC)	Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing	\$ 309,945	
Iowa Homeless Youth Center (IHYC)	Rapid Rehousing	\$ 177,738	
Children and Families of Iowa (CFI)	Rapid Rehousing	\$ 124,632	
nawim Permanent Supportive Housing for Families (new grant, sp between Tiers)		\$ 1,061,365	
Anawim	Permanent Supportive Housing for Families (new grant, split between Tiers)	\$ 4,479	
Anawim	Permanent Supportive Housing, Individuals (new grant)	\$ 871,279	
	Total CoC Award	\$ 5,151,739	
	YHDP (Noncompetitive)		
Applicant	Program Component	Award	
Anawim	Permanent Supportive Housing	\$ 211,577	
Institute for Community Alliances (ICA)	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$ 37,470	
Iowa Homeless Youth Center (IHYC)	Rapid Rehousing	\$ 287,988	
Iowa Homeless Youth Center (IHYC)	Supportive Service Only, Mental Health	\$ 152,089	
Children and Families of Iowa (CFI)	Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing	\$ 202,373	
Primary Health Care (PHC)	Supportive Service Only, Housing Navigator	\$ 81,222	
	Total YHDP Award	\$ 972,719	
	Other Funding Request	1	
Homeward	CoC Planning Grant	\$ 286,190	
	Total Request to HUD (CoC + YHDP + Planning)	\$ 6,410,648	

• A summary the funding requests are as follows:

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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