



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#24-0452

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: August 20, 2024

TITLE: Public Hearing Amending the Housing and Community Development
2023-2024 Annual Action Plan and 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan -
(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission convene a public hearing to receive public input and approve an amendment to the 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan and 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan to reallocate uncommitted Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds in the amount of \$765,107.47 to increase the budgets for Mount Olive Development Corporation (MODCO), Sunshine Social Services d/b/a SunServe, and Care Resource Community Health Centers, In. d/b/a Care Resource as well as to add a new Resource Identification Strategy.

Background

The substantial change policy of the City's Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Approved Consolidated Plan requires a program amendment to the Annual Action Plan of the Consolidated Plan if there is an addition, cancellation, or change in the scope of an activity.

On June 4, 2024, The City convened a public hearing to receive input on the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan as proposed by the Community Services Board. During the public hearing the Chief Executive Officer of MODCO requested that the commission review the funding allocations recommended by the Community Services Board and make certain adjustments. This request led to the City Commission recommending that uncommitted funds from Annual Action Plan 2023-2024 be used to make the MODCO, SunServe, and Care Resource whole. The HOPWA funding allocation proposed in the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan is good for three consecutive years based on HOPWA RFQ Event 260.

In December of 2023, HUD asked the City to participate in their HOPWA institute to present data and information on the City's HOPWA program. Specifically, the City was invited to participate in a HOPWA Program titled Racial, Gender, and LGBTQ+ Equity Initiative. This initiative will be added as a HOPWA Resource Identification Strategy.

Agency	Fiscal Year	CSB Recommendation	6/04 Commission Approved Additional Funds from FY23/24	Revised Allocation for FY24/25	** Allocation for FY25/26	** Allocation for FY26/27
MODCO	FY24/25	\$269,593.89	\$82,812.11	\$352,406.00	\$352,406.00	\$352,406.00
Care Resource	FY24/25	\$266,500.00	\$75,260.61	\$341,760.61	\$341,760.61	\$341,760.61
Sunserve	FY24/25	\$323,500.00	\$75,260.61	\$398,760.61	\$398,760.61	\$398,760.61
Total Commission approved additional funds annually			\$233,333.33			
Total Commission approved additional funds 3 yrs.			\$699,999.99			
Resource Identification			\$65,107.48			
Grant Total			\$765,107.47			
** FY25/26 and FY26/27 allocations are contingent on City's HOPWA Grant Entitlement						

This is a one-year initiative that requires participation as follows:

- Core Team Development: Each community will be expected to develop a Core Team within their jurisdiction to support this work. Core Teams should include people with lived experience and expertise (PLEE), project sponsors, and grantee staff. We strongly encourage someone on the team to have experience with both qualitative and quantitative data analysis.
- HOPWA programs are strongly encouraged to recruit and compensate people with lived experience as team members who are equal partners in the process. Meaningful and genuine collaboration with people with lived experience and expertise is essential to authentically doing this work and ensures the success of this initiative.
- Participating Grantees will need to have a strategy to equitably compensate PLEE, be it through public or private funds, partnerships, or other strategies that allow for equitable compensation. Resources for recruiting and compensating people with lived experience and expertise will be shared during the initiative.
- Participating Grantees will need to be able to support PLEE, ensuring they have internet access and technology to participate.
- Monthly meetings with tasks to be completed between meetings. Core Team members can expect a commitment of up to 10 hours per month; PLEE Core Team members will have access to the bimonthly PLEE Affinity Groups.

The City is required to provide PLEE participants with an incentive to participate. Expenses associated with this initiative are only allowable under HOPWA Resource Identification.

Resource Impact

There will be fiscal impact in the amount of \$765,107.47 associated with adding the HOPWA Resource Identification Strategy and applicable amendments. This amount will be funded from the HOPWA entitlement grant.

Funds available as of August 6, 2024					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-108-9300-554-80-8001-24HPTBD	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS 9 HOPWA)	Grant Services/Operations	\$4,210,514.59	\$4,210,514.59	\$765,107.47
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$765,107.47

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2024 Top Commission Priority*, advancing Housing Accessibility initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Housing Focus Area, Goal 2: Enable housing options for all income levels.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community, and We Are Prosperous*.

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan* specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- The Housing Element
- Goal 1: The Comprehensive Plan shall support the provision of adequate sites for future housing, including affordable workforce housing.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - 2023-2024 Amended Annual Action Plan

Exhibit 2 - Public Notice for Comment Period

Exhibit 3 - 2020-2024 Amended Consolidated Plan

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