



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

#18-0917

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

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: September 25, 2018

TITLE: Public Hearing to Amend the Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2018-2019
of the Consolidated Plan for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with
HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) Program

Recommendation

It is recommended by the Community Service Board (CSB) that the City Commission approve the allocation of uncommitted HOPWA funds from Fiscal Year 2018-2019 totaling \$68,849.38 to Mount Olive Development Corporation (MODCO) for master leasing of a four bedroom, 2.5 bathroom dwelling for the shared transitional housing program.

Background

The HOPWA program has uncommitted FY 18-19 funds totaling \$340,022.76. The CSB is requesting that the City allocate an additional \$68,849.38 in additional HOPWA funds to MODCO for a shared transitional housing program.

MODCO submitted a proposal (Exhibit 1) to the CSB requesting additional HOPWA FY 18-19 funds. The proposal is to provide shared transitional housing for four HOPWA eligible low-income persons, 18 years and older, who are currently homeless and/or recently released from jail/prison and not equipped financially to be successful in an independent living environment. The program would offer an affordable housing solution to prevent homelessness, sustain medical care and foster independence through a non-traditional housing solution that includes housing case management services and connections to vital community resources through the existing HOPWA Continuum of Care.

On June 5, 2018 (CAM # 18-0394 Exhibit 2) through the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan process, the City Commission awarded MODCO \$493,000 for fiscal year 2018-2019 for project based activities (Exhibit 3). These additional funds would increase the housing capacity through a master lease agreement between MODCO and the landlord. The FY 18-19 contractual amount will increase to \$559,849.38.

In accordance with federal regulations, a public notice (Exhibit 4) was placed in the Sun-Sentinel on August 24, 2018 announcing the proposed amendment to the 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan and the associated Consolidated Plan for 2015-2019.

Resource Impact

The federal HOPWA grant will reimburse the City for the funds expended on eligible HOPWA activities; therefore, there is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Neighborhood Enhancement Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 5: Be a community of strong, beautiful, and healthy neighborhoods.
- Option 2: Ensure a range of Housing Options for current and future neighbors

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – MODCO Application for Additional Funds

Exhibit 2 – Commission Agenda Memo 18-0394

Exhibit 3 – Proposed Budget and Narrative Summary 2018-2019

Exhibit 4 – Sun-Sentinel Public Notice

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