#20-0194

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Chris Lagerbloom, City Manager

**DATE**: March 3, 2020

TITLE: Public Hearing Amending the Annual Action Plans for Fiscal Years 2017-

2018, and 2018-2019 for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

(HOPWA) Program - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission convene a public hearing to receive public input and approve the substantial amendment for the allocation of \$250,000.00 uncommitted HOPWA funds from FY 2017-2018 to Broward House to increase the Facility-Based Housing capacity and an additional \$324,000.00 of unspent / uncommitted funds combined from FY 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 to increase case management and legal services to eligible clients

#### **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 Plans of the Consolidated Plan if there is a change in the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiary of an activity. Such a change requires a program amendment to the Annual Action Plan. The City of Fort Lauderdale's program amendment and substantial change policy requires Commission approval after proper notice has been published for a thirty-day open comment period. This amendment is being undertaken to increase the number of beds available in the Facility-Based Housing program, as well as increase case management capacity and expand legal services for up to two years.

This amendment will allow Broward House to increase its bed capacity from 44 to 54, an increase of 10 beds. Additionally, the increase will allow Sunshine Social Services and Care Resource to increase case management capacity for two years by hiring one additional case manager at each agency to serve a total of 330 clients. Legal Aid Services of Broward County will increase legal services by adding a part-time attorney to assist with HOPWA caseloads for up to two years. This will provide legal services for 50 additional clients.

# Proposed funding for each entity.

- Broward House one-time funding allotment of \$250,000.00
- Sunshine Social Services one-time funding allotment to be used over two years \$130,000.00. (\$65,000.00 for each year).
- Care Resource one-time funding allotment to be used over two years \$130,000.00 (\$65,000.00 for each year).
- Legal Aid Services of Broward one-time funding of \$64,000.00 to be used over two years (\$32,000.00 for each year).

## **Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. These funds are unspent grant dollars from previous grant years. Funds are available in the account(s) listed below:

Funds available as of February 27, 2020					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
108-HP18TBD-8001	HP FY17-18 Unassigned ENT TBD	Grant Services/ Program Funds	\$421,835	\$421,835	\$358,019.80
108-HP19TBD-8001	HP FY18-19 Unassigned ENT TBD	Grant Services/ Program Funds	\$2,916,735	\$2,916,735	\$215,980.20
			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$574,000.00

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Fiscal Year 2020 Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, advancing the Affordable Housing: Incentives

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Focus Area
- Goal 4: Build a thriving and inclusive community of neighborhoods.
- Objective: Affordable Housing Incentives

This item advances the Fast-Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Here.

### **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 - 30 days Public Notice

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