# CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date: May 15, 2023

Action Required: Approval of Resolution (Appropriation, 1st of 2 Readings)

Presenter: Misty Graves, Director of Human Services

Staff Contacts: Misty Graves, Director of Human Services

Title: Appropriating funding from the COVID Homelessness Emergency

Response Program (CHERP) to the City's Department of Human Services

for Expenditure - \$14,419.60(1 of 2 readings)

#### **Background**

A C.O.V.I.D. Homelessness Emergency Response Program amended grant of an additional \$14,419.60 has been awarded to support non-congregate emergency shelter operations and administrative expenses from July 1, 2021 to June 31, 2023, through reallocation of unused funding from other parts of the state. The Thomas Jefferson Area Coalition for the Homeless plans, designs and coordinates the local homelessness continuum of care and is the provider of record for data collection.

#### **Discussion**

The City of Charlottesville has staff from the departments of Human Services and Social Services taking leadership roles in the governance of T.J.A.C.H. This grant supports non-congregate shelter operations for people experiencing homelessness.

#### Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

This grant advances the City of Charlottesville's Strategic Plan Goal #1 of an inclusive community of self-sufficient residents.

#### Community Engagement

This grant and plan are the product of extensive engagement of the service provider community for persons experiencing homelessness and are often discussed at reoccurring meetings throughout the month and year.

#### **Budgetary Impact**

This grant will be entirely Federal pass-through funds. No local match is required. There is no budget impact for the City of Charlottesville. All funds will be distributed to sub-recipients for service provision.

#### Recommendation

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of grant funds.

### <u>Alternatives</u>

Council may elect to not accept the funds and the community will not have the capacity to administer the following services to persons experiencing a housing crisis:. Emergency low-barrier shelter, coordinated assessment, rapid rehousing, H.M.I.S., coalition coordination and administration.

## **Attachments**

1. CHERP Resolution 5.15.23