

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

Recommendation:

Ratify the acceptance of funds from the U.S. Treasury Department for emergency rental assistance for qualified households affected by the COVID-19 crisis; and authorize the Administrator of Human Services or his designee to administer the project. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2981.100	Fund Name:	Covid-19 Response
Fund Center:	1270111160	Funded PGM/Grant:	1270.CRF2RENT.2021
Amount:	\$31,717,935.80		
Description:	Emergency Rental Assistance Program		
Additional Comments:	N/A		

BACKGROUND:

On January 5, 2021, the U.S. Department of the Treasury launched the \$25 billion Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) established by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. The ERAP assists households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible grantees must use the funds to provide assistance to eligible households through existing or newly created rental assistance programs.

Clark County was awarded \$31,717,935.80 under this program to provide assistance to eligible households. An "eligible household" is defined as a renter household that has a household income at or below 80 percent of the area median income. Clark County has an existing rental assistance program - Clark County Housing Assistance Program (CHAP) which will utilize these funds to assist eligible households affected by the pandemic based on the new eligibility requirements.

The item has been approved as to form by the District Attorney's office.

Cleared for Agenda

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