CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

Recommendation:

Ratify the submission of the renewal grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Stability, Tenancy, Access, Restore Rapid Rehousing by Clark County Social Service to provide rapid rehousing and critical supportive services to households experiencing homelessness; authorize the Administrator of Human Services to sign the grant documents; accept any grant funds awarded; authorize the continuation of five (5) Family Services Specialists (C27), one (1) Senior Family Services Specialist (C29), two (2) Part Time Hourly Management Assistants, one (1) Part Time Hourly Administrative Assistant, one (1) Financial Office Specialist (C23), and one (1) Social Work Supervisor (C30), or equivalent positions, contingent upon award from HUD. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2031.000	Fund Name:	County Grants
Fund Center:	1270111160	Funded PGM/Grant:	1270.STARTH22.2024
Amount:	\$1,810,123 award amount and \$452,531 cash match; Total Project: \$2,262,654		
Description:	STAR Rapid Rehousing		
Additional Comments:	Based on the most recent data for each metropolitan area, Fair Market Rents (FMR) have risen approximately 20%. As such, we have updated the award amount to reflect the change from the FY2022 FMR used in the application to the FY2023 FMR HUD will use to award project funds. As FMR changes we expect the award amount to vary each year based on the current FMR for our community, not the FMR for the year in which the application was submitted.		

BACKGROUND:

Clark County Social Service (CCSS) requests that the Board of County Commissioners ratify the submission of Stability, Tenancy, Access, Restore (STAR) Rapid Rehousing (RRH), a 2022 renewal application for the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care (SNH CoC) consolidated grant application that was submitted September 30, 2022 to HUD; authorize the Administrator of Human Services to sign all grant documents; accept any grant funds awarded and authorize the continuation of five (5) Family Services Specialists, one (1) Senior Family Service Specialist, two (2) Part Time Hourly Management Assistants, one (1) Part Time Hourly Administrative Assistant, one (1) Financial Office Specialist, and one (1) Social Work Supervisor, or equivalent positions, contingent upon award from HUD. STAR RRH was written in response to the 2022 Notice of Funding Availability for the SNH CoC and approved by the SNH CoC Board on September 15, 2022. STAR RRH ranked 4 out of 27 in the local scoring and ranking process and has been placed in Tier 1 of the consolidated application.

STAR RRH provides 93 units of housing and supportive services to Veterans and households experiencing homelessness; individuals, families, and transition age youth experiencing literal homelessness who have a mental

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illness or a co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorder; and frequent users of high cost public systems such as jails and emergency rooms. Stable housing placement is provided in coordination with match and leveraged resources for intensive case management and supportive services to increase client success.

CCSS is applying for \$1,611,475 for twelve (12) months of services with a project term of December 1, 2023 through November 30, 2024, and the grant is eligible to apply as a renewal project annually through the local CoC process. The \$1,611,475 amount reflects the current totals based on the FY2022 FMR used in the application. The final grant award amount will be calculated based on increased FY2023 FMR and are anticipated to total \$1,810,123. STAR RRH will receive in-kind match resources of \$452,531 from CCSS for housing related and supportive services costs.

****Of the total grant award approximately \$692,111 is budgeted for personnel and fringe benefit costs for five (5) Family Services Specialists I/II (C27/28) to provide intensive case management, one (1) Senior Family Services Specialist (C29) to oversee the day-to-day operations of the project, one (1) Social Work Supervisor (C30) to oversee program and reporting functions, two (2) Part Time Hourly Management Assistants (C00) to serve as housing navigators, one (1) Part Time Hourly Administrative Assistant (C00) to provide administrative support, and approximately 50% of the salary for one (1) Financial Office Specialist (C23) to process invoices and attend to fiscal requests. The Part Time Hourly Management Assistants and Financial Office Specialist positions may be shared with other HUD funded projects and the portion of their time spent working on another grant will be charged accordingly. The personnel and fringe benefits projection will increase annually as required with merit and/or cost of living increases. Continuation of all of the above requested positions is contingent on funding award from HUD.