COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

Inter-Office Communication

Date: February 14, 2025

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

Subject: A report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting

authorization for Housing Services to retroactively accept City of Milwaukee Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds in the amount of \$31,269 with a required

match for housing outreach services

File Type: Action Report

REQUEST

A report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization for Housing Services to accept City of Milwaukee Emergency Solutions Grant funds in the amount of \$31,269 to provide additional homeless services and purchase a homeless outreach vehicle.

POLICY

Chapter 56.06 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances, Review and Approval of Federal and State Grant and Funding Applications, requires Milwaukee County department heads to receive approval from the County Board to accept a grant with a match requirement.

Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances	56.06

BACKGROUND

As a formula grantee, the City of Milwaukee receives an allocation of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These funds can be used for a variety of homeless services. The City of Milwaukee is proposing to grant Housing Services \$31,269 to increase the amount of homeless outreach services and purchase a homeless outreach vehicle. This action requires County Board approval as there is a 100 percent match for this grant. The 2025 Adopted Budget for Housing Services has tax levy available of \$31,269 to meet this match requirement. There are no additional funds needed for the match.

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This action item aligns with strategic plan objectives 2A (Determine what, where, and how we deliver services to advance health equity) and 3A (Invest upstream to address root causes of health disparities).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorize the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, or her designee, to retroactively accept City of Milwaukee Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds in the amount of \$31,269 with a match requirement for homeless services and purchase of a homeless outreach vehicle.

FISCAL EFFECT

There is no fiscal effect as the match requirement for the grant is covered by funding previously approved in the 2025 Adopted DHHS Budget.

TERMS

This grant agreement with the City of Milwaukee is effective January 1,2025 through June 30. 2025.

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

Shakita LaGrant-McClain

Shakita LaGrant-McClain, DHHS Director James Mathy, Housing Administrator

PREPARED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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