#### **COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**

#### INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

**DATE**: January 27, 2021

**TO**: Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

**FROM**: Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health & Human Services

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**SUBJECT** Request to create one FTE Housing Program Assistant position in the Section 8 Housing

Choice Voucher Program (HCV) within the DHHS Housing Division

#### <u>Issue</u>

The Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is requesting authorization to create one permanent full-time equivalent (FTE) position of Housing Program Assistant at pay grade 16Z3 in the Housing Division.

### **Background**

Beginning in 2018, the HCV Program received 52 new Mainstream Vouchers from Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the program lease up rate subsequently increased during 2019 and 2020. The new position will be responsible for certification, processing and leasing of the additional vouchers. The position would allow maximum utilization of the program to lease eligible applicants to receive rental assistance through the program. The increased HUD administrative fee will support 100 percent of the cost of the position.

## **Fiscal Impact**

There is no tax levy impact. Housing's Section 8 administrative revenue has been increased to reflect the associated workload resulting from the additional vouchers. The total 2021 salary and social security cost of the position, effective pay period 8 (April 5), ranges between \$31,393 and \$37,494 depending upon placement in the pay range as shown below.

			2021 Salary & Social
		Annual Salary &	Security Cost
	Rate	Social Security Cost	(Effective April 5)
Low Range	\$19.19	\$42,959	\$31,393
High Range	\$22.91	\$51,307	\$37,494

# **Recommendation**

The Department of Health and Human Services recommends the creation of 1.0 FTE Housing Program Assistant in the DHHS Housing Division. This position is being funded by additional HUD revenue so there is no tax levy impact to this request.

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