

Funding Process for Housing Program

CRITERIA FOR FUNDING DECISIONS

- Does it align with our strategic plan?
- Has it gone through correct administrative process?
- Are the right kind of funds available?
- Is it compatible with the housing system?
- Has Housing Advisory Committee been supportive?



IN PRACTICE

- Does it use the plan's strategies and core pillars?
- Did the applicant succeed in responding to an RFP?
- Is it allowable and sustainable?
- Does it build on existing resources?
- Has it been supported publicly?

Consolidated Homeless Grant



Recurring 2-year grants from Commerce are increasingly important for local housing system

Grant grew and then stabilized over last 5 years

- Current 2-year award is \$18.9M; prior award grew from \$11.6M to \$20.3M.

Funds provide support for existing programs in evolving system

- Approximately half the funds are for two specific programs: HEN and Prevention
- Other half used for shelter, rapid rehousing, system administration
- Funds must use coordinated entry and support low-barrier projects

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Comparison of Previous and Proposed CHG use

Project Type	Proposed Commitments for New Grant	Change from Current Contracts
Emergency Shelter	\$2.4 million	Small decrease; reduce motels and increase facility-based shelter
Rental Assistance for RRH	\$2.2 million	Small decrease in line with prior spending amount
Case Management for RRH	\$4.4 million	No change
System Coordination	\$780,000	No change
Homelessness Prevention	\$3.8 million	No change
Housing & Essential Needs	\$5.3 million	No change
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$18.9 million</i>	<i>Small decrease (pending SFY '27 funds)</i>