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June 10, 2008

Honorable Board of Commissioners
Housing Authority of the
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Commissioners:

ACCEPT RESIDENT OPPORTUNITIES AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY RESIDENT SERVICE DELIVERY MODELS PROGRAM FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 Vote)

SUBJECT:

This Board Letter requests authority to accept from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a $450,000 grant of Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Resident Service Delivery Models Program (ROSS Program) funds. These funds will be used to implement a three-year supportive services program to promote independent living for up to 1,429 elderly and persons with disabilities.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that acceptance of the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Resident Service Delivery Models Program (ROSS Program) funds is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as described herein, because the activities are not defined as a project under CEQA.

2. Authorize the Executive Director to accept from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a $450,000 grant of Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Resident Service Delivery Models Program (ROSS Program) funds to implement a three-year supportive services program to promote independent living for up to 1,429 elderly and persons with disabilities who reside at the 14 conventional public housing

sites identified in Attachment A; and authorize the Executive Director to execute all documents required for receipt of the grant.

3. Authorize the Executive Director to prepare and execute contracts and any amendments thereto as needed, with multiple community organizations and service providers, in a combined total amount not to exceed $450,000, to assist with program planning, implementation, and administration of activities, in accordance with HUD requirements, following approval as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The purpose of this action is to authorize the Housing Authority to accept from HUD $450,000 in ROSS Program funds to implement a comprehensive supportive services program that promotes independent living for the elderly and persons with disabilities who reside in 14 conventional public housing sites.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no impact on the County general fund. The $450,000 grant, included in the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2008-2009 approved budget, will be matched by over $419,000 in in-kind services from community organizations and service providers.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

In August 2007, the Housing Authority submitted a funding application to HUD under the 2007 ROSS Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program. For Fiscal Year 2007-2008, $10 million was available for this program through a nationally competitive awards process.

In March 2008, HUD awarded the Housing Authority a $450,000 grant. Funds will be used to provide the elderly and persons with disabilities who are public housing residents with an array of supportive services including: program coordination, home assistance, health and nutrition programs transportation assistance, translation services, home-delivered meal programs, case management, resource referral, and other related activities designed to promote independence and increase quality of life.

Funds will be allocated to agencies to provide the aforementioned array of services. The funding will be awarded through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:

This project is exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 58, Section 58.34(a)(4), because it involves public service activities that will not have a physical impact on or result in any physical changes to the environment. The activities are not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because they are not defined as a project under CEQA and do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT PROGRAMS:

The grant will enable the Housing Authority to implement programs and services that promote independent living and an improved quality of life for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbette A. Glover

for CARLOS JACKSON
Executive Director

Attachments: 1

ATTACHMENT A

ROSS PROGRAM SITES

LARGE SITES

CARMELITOS
700-1100 Via Wanda
900 Via Carmelitos
Long Beach, CA 90805

HARBOR HILLS
26607 S. Western Ave.
Lomita, CA 90717

NUEVA MARAVILLA
4919 Cesar E. Chavez Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90022

LOMITA MANOR
24925 Walnut Street
Lomita, CA 90717

NORTH COUNTY

FOOTHILL VILLA
2423 Foothill Blvd.
La Crescenta, CA 91214

ORCHARD ARMS
23410-23540 Wiley Canyon Rd.
Valencia, CA 91355

SOUTH COUNTY

SOUTHBAY GARDENS
230 E. 130th St.
Los Angeles, CA 90061

WEST COUNTY

WEST KNOLL APTS.
838 West Knoll Dr.
West Hollywood, CA 90069

PALM APTS.
959 Palm Ave.
West Hollywood, CA 90069

MARINA MANOR I
3401 Via Dolce
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

MARINA MANOR II
3405 Via Dolce
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

EAST COUNTY

WHITTIER MANOR
11527 Slauson Ave.
Whittier, CA 90606

HERBERT AVE.
133 Herbert Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90063

FRANCISQUITO VILLA
14622 Francisquito Ave.
La Puente, CA 91746