

Housing For A Healthy California Program Application

On May 13, 2019, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) announced the release of a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for approximately \$60 million in Building Homes and Jobs Act (SB 2) funds for the Housing for a Healthy California (HHC) Program. This funding furthers the goal of AB 74 (Chapter 777, Statutes of 2017) by providing grants to counties for permanent supportive housing targeting individuals who are chronically homeless, or homeless and high-cost users of health services. The intent of this pilot program is to allow individuals experiencing significant barriers to housing stability to benefit from supportive housing opportunities while decreasing their utilization of hospital emergency departments, inpatient care, and nursing home stays.

Counties are eligible to apply for up to \$20M of one-time funding, which could be used for rental subsidies targeting individuals who are chronically homeless, or homeless and high-cost users of health services. The County of Los Angeles (County) intends to submit an application for the maximum amount of \$20M, which would support approximately 250 rental subsidies for the target population over a five-year period.

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As part of the application, the County is required to submit the attached resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors authorizing the application and receipt of grant funds.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,

- 1) Adopt the attached resolution to apply for up to \$20M in California Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Housing for Healthy California (HHC) Program funds, which will be used to provide permanent supportive housing to homeless residents of Los Angeles County (County);
- 2) Authorize and direct the Director of the Department of Health Services or her designee to execute the County of Los Angeles HHC Article II Application, the HHC Article II Grant Documents, and any amendments thereto, on behalf of the County as required by DHCD for receipt of the HHC Article II Grant; and
- 3) Authorize the Director of the Department of Health Services or her designee to work within existing delegated authority from the Board of Supervisors to negotiate and amend existing agreement(s) and/or work order(s), and/or enter into any new work order(s) or other agreement(s) necessary to fund and receive deliverables and/or services as identified in the DHCD Standard Agreement and any amendments thereto.

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RESOLUTION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, HOUSING FOR A HEALTHY CALIFORNIA (HHC) ARTICLE II FUNDS

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability dated May 13, 2019 (NOFA), for its Housing for a Healthy California (HHC) Article II Grants; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles (County) desires to submit a project application for the HHC Program and will submit a 2019 HHC Article II Application (Application) as described in the HHC Article II NOFA and HHC Article II Guidelines released by DHCD for the HHC Program; and

WHEREAS, DHCD is authorized to provide approximately \$60 million from the Building Homes and Jobs Act Fund to Counties for permanent supportive housing for individuals who are chronically homeless, or homeless and a high-cost health user, authorized by Part 14.2 (commencing with Section 53590) of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby:

1. Authorize and direct the County to apply for and submit to DHCD, the 2019 HHC Article II Application released May 13, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$20 million.
2. Authorize, in connection with the HHC Article II Grant, if the Application is approved by DHCD, the County to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement (Standard Agreement) for an amount not to exceed \$20 million, and any and all other documents required or

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deemed necessary or appropriate to evidence and secure the HHC Article II Grant, the County's obligations related thereto, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "HHC Article II Grant Documents").

3. The County shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreement, the HHC Article II Guidelines published by DHCD and the HHC statute (Health and Safety Code §53590 et. seq.). Funds are to be used for allowable project expenditures as specifically identified in the Standard Agreement, the HHC statute (Health and Safety Code §53590 et. seq.) and applicable HHC Guidelines. The Application in full is incorporated as part of the Standard Agreement. Any and all activities funded, information provided, and timelines represented in the Application will be enforceable through the executed Standard Agreement. The County hereby agrees to use the funds for eligible uses in the manner presented in the Application as approved by DHCD and in accordance with the HHC Article II NOFA, the HHC Article II Guidelines, and 2019 HHC Article II Application.
4. Authorize and direct the Director of the Department of Health Services or her designee to execute the County of Los Angeles HHC Article II Application, the HHC Article II Grant Documents, and any amendments thereto, on behalf of the County as required by DHCD for receipt of the HHC Article II Grant.

The foregoing resolution was on the 30th day of July 2019, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of

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all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



CELIA ZAVALA, Executive Officer-
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County of Los Angeles

By

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