



Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)

California Emergency Solutions Grant (CESH) – Round 2

Project Selection Subcommittee Meeting Notes

May 29, 2019

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AVAILABLE FUNDING

The Project Selection Subcommittee was tasked with making funding recommendations for the California Emergency Solutions Grant (CESH) – Round 2. The total funds available to allocate to individual projects is the total grant allocation minus a five percent administrative cost. Available funding for this grant is described in the chart below:

California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH) – Round 2	
Total Allocation	\$505,861
5% Administrative Costs	-\$25,293
Total Available for Projects	\$480,568

It is important to note that the CESH – Round 2 NOFA, states that Administrative Entities shall not use more than 40% of funds for operating support for emergency housing interventions.¹ As such, the maximum amount of funding that could be allocated to Emergency Housing Interventions in this funding round is **\$192,227**.

SCORING AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATION PROCESS

Subcommittee members received the application packets on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, and had six (6) days to individually score each project on a 90-point scale. The Subcommittee met as a group on Wednesday, May 29, 2019.

First, the Subcommittee reviewed the scores and discussed the merits of each project individually, and then developed aggregate scores for each project. See Attachment A for a full breakdown of average scores, amounts awarded, and percentage of original amounts requested.

Then, the Subcommittee made the final funding recommendations detailed on the next page.

¹ State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development. [Notice of Funding Availability \(NOFA\) California Emergency Solutions and Housing \(CESH\) Program, Round 2, 2019](#). Page 3.



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FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Rank	Applicant	Project	Amount
Projects Recommended for Funding			
1	Fourth & Hope	Emergency Shelter Services	\$192,227
2	Yolo Community Care Continuum	Operating Reserve and Housing Subsidy	\$288,341
Projects Not Recommended for Funding			
3	CommuniCare	Street Medicine Proposal	\$0
4	Mercy Coalition	Housing Readiness Temporary Housing Program	\$0
5	Yolo County Children's Alliance	Homeless Services Program	\$0
6	Resources for Independent Living	Transition-Homeless Diversion	\$0

Total Recommended for Funding: \$480,568

NOTES ON FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

The Subcommittee evaluated the projects for funding based on a variety of factors, including: score, whether similar activities were proposed by more than one agency, community need, and amount of funds available for each eligible activity. Funding recommendations proved particularly difficult given that: 1) the total requested funding (\$959,193) was twice the amount available (\$480,568), and 2) that five (5) of the proposals requested funding for emergency housing interventions, for which funding was capped at 40% of the total allocation.

- Resources for Independent Living (RIL) scored the lowest and was eliminated based on the low score and the very limited funding.
- Fourth & Hope scored the highest and the subcommittee recommended the maximum amount of funds allowable for Emergency Housing Interventions to be allocated to this project.
- Yolo Community Care Continuum scored second highest and was one of two applicants that proposed to fund activities other than Emergency Housing Interventions. As the other applicant whose eligible use was other than emergency housing interventions (Resources for Independent Living) had already been eliminated due to their low score, the subcommittee elected to allocate the remaining funds (after the maximum 40% for Emergency Housing Interventions was allocated) to this project.



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ATTACHMENT A: SUMMARY OF AGGREGATED PROJECT SCORES & FUNDING AMOUNTS

Rank	Applicant	Project	Amount	Score	Eligible Activity
<i>Projects Recommended for Funding</i>					
1	Fourth & Hope	Emergency Shelter Services	\$192,227	76.3	Emergency Housing Interventions
2	Yolo Community Care Continuum	Operating Reserve and Housing Subsidy	\$288,341	75.5	Operating Subsidy
<i>Projects Not Recommended for Funding</i>					
3	CommuniCare	Street Medicine Proposal	\$0	59.3	Emergency Housing Interventions
4	Mercy Coalition	Housing Readiness Temporary Housing Program	\$0	53.3	Emergency Housing Interventions
5	Yolo County Children's Alliance	Homeless Services Program	\$0	52.5	Emergency Housing Interventions
6	Resources for Independent Living	Transition-Homeless Diversion	\$0	44.5	Emergency Housing Interventions; Flexible Housing Subsidy

Total Recommended for Funding \$480,568