



TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

DATE: May 2, 2024

SUBJECT: Intensive Housing-Focused Case Management for Persons Experiencing Homelessness

Request: Council authorization to execute an agreement with Independence Place, Inc., for operation of Intensive Housing-Focused Case Management Services in the amount of \$98,065.00. This program will provide case management supports to individuals experiencing homelessness with complex physical and mental health needs.

Purpose of Request: The Office of Homelessness Prevention and Intervention (OHPI) facilitates access to the community's homeless housing programs via its Coordinated Entry system of intake, assessment, and referral. However, due to the level of community need, placements in housing are not immediate and may involve significant wait times. Many individuals are awaiting placement for permanent supportive housing programs and are of high acuity with complex needs, such as physical and mental health needs.

The OHPI seeks to connect such individuals with Intensive Housing-Focused Case Management Services. This service would provide case management supports to persons experiencing homelessness with complex needs by facilitating access to needed services during the time they are experiencing literal homelessness. Additionally, this service would explore any and all pathways to permanent housing and appropriate levels of care. As a result, individuals will experience a decreased length of time homeless, improved physical and/or mental health, and be less likely to experience returns to homelessness through appropriate service connection.

What is the Cost in this budget year and future budget years? Cost in FY24 is \$98,065.

The cost for future FY25 is: \$0

Are the funds budgeted? Yes

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Director/Commissioner: Herron/Lanter

