

Department: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program

Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

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PROGRAM GOAL: DCHS will provide direct financial support to approximately 5,850 households using unconditional cash transfer whenever possible, recognizing that households understand their most pressing financial needs, which may include; food, living expenses, housing, debt, childcare, transportation, medical, etc.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: Three DCHS divisions will work with community partners and through their programs to distribute funds to community members using tools that have been developed over the past year, such as: grocery/gift cards; direct payment of key expenses; prepaid credit cards; direct electronic transfers; etc. DCHS will focus this funding on BIPOC communities, building on relationships with culturally-specific community based organizations that each division has established through public engagement and procurement processes. Following is the list of how funds will be utilized:
ADVSD: \$446,000 for utility, uncovered medical and prescription expenses. Also includes 1.00 FTE (limited duration) Case Manager 2 and proposes to serve 550 older adults or people with disabilities.
IDDS: \$385,000 to provide assistance for 650 clients and 100 direct care providers.
YFS Bienestar: \$525,000 client assistance to 1,050 households provided via the weekly Mercado.
YFS: \$3.5 million client assistance to 3,500 households via Domestic Violence, SUN Service System (SUNSS), and Housing & Immigration program participants.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of households served	N/A	N/A	N/A	5,850
Outcome	Percentage of recipients from Black, Indigenous or People of Color communities	N/A	N/A	N/A	80%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$97,831
Contractual Services	\$0	\$4,518,143	\$0	\$4,758,169
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$4,718,143	\$0	\$4,856,000
Program Total:	\$4,718,143		\$4,856,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$4,718,143	\$0	\$4,856,000
Total Revenue	\$0	\$4,718,143	\$0	\$4,856,000

Explanation of Revenues

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Direct County Funding - \$4,856,000

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was:

This program addresses the County's priority of Crisis Response & Community Recovery. These funds will provide client assistance directly to individuals and families, with a focus of providing unconditional cash transfer whenever possible. Funds will be targeted to communities disproportionately impacted by the pandemic: BIPOC, immigrants and refugees, older adults and people with disabilities