

FY 2026 Nondepartmental - Summary of Ongoing Addition Packages

Ongoing or OTO	Priority Number	Package Number	Program Offer Number(s)	Program Offer Name(s)	Amount	FTE
Ongoing	1	Addition-COMM-01-Ongoing	10007	Communications Office	343,398	2.00
Ongoing	1	Addition-OCI-01-Ongoing	10010	Office of Community Involvement	125,000	1.00
Ongoing	1	Addition-LOGI-01-Ongoing	10012B	Logistics	489,456	3.00
Grand Total					957,854	6.00



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Addition-COMM-01-Ongoing

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Budget Summary

	Personnel	Contractual Services	Materials & Supplies	Internal Services	Capital Outlay	Total
Budget	338,930		2,468	2,000		343,398
FTE	2.00					2.00

Brief Description

Adds 1.00 FTE Behavioral Health Communications Coordinator to support the County’s expanded and new services around deflection, the Behavioral Health Resource Center, sobering, stabilization and crisis services. The Board of County Commissioners has identified behavioral health as a priority, and behavioral health is among the leading topics in the Office’s nearly 3,600 media stories a year, requiring media relations, web and social media content, and communications with providers and the community.

Adds 1.00 FTE Preschool for All Communications Coordinator funded with Preschool for All funds for expanded communication needs around this rapidly expanding program. The Department of County Human Services has identified Preschool for All as a priority communications need around surging media requests, web and social media content, parent and provider recruitment campaigns, and public information materials. This placement would replicate the Office’s successful partnerships with other departments to jointly develop strategic plans, implement initiatives and produce outcomes in a timely manner.

Adds 1.00 FTE General Communications Coordinator portioned to support Board priorities through Board-specific communications; Emergency Management during and after activations; and emerging County-wide initiatives through media relations, content development and dissemination.

Service & Equity Impacts

Communications support has not increased to reach County residents affected by new and emerging behavioral health and PFA programs. Currently, there is almost no dedicated Central County communications for the community, peer, or culturally specific audiences regarding behavioral health. Support for residents, parents, providers and taxpayers requiring information about PFA is limited. Support for Board members and their initiatives, as well as Emergency Management, has not increased to meet the County’s central and pivotal role in a severe weather or other crisis. The dramatic contraction of culturally specific media has also made the County’s communications even more essential for reaching underserved and diverse communities in a timely and appropriate fashion.



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Budget	120,313		2,687	2,000		125,000
FTE	1.00					1.00

Brief Description

Add a new 1.00 FTE Community Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC) Coordinator. CBACs do not currently have a dedicated Office of Community Involvement (OCI) staff person to oversee and support countywide programmatic compliance, administrative guidance, and equity-driven practices. This contributes to a lack of consistency, infrastructure, and capacity to manage and improve CBACs.

Service & Equity Impacts

Having a dedicated staff person to support engagement through an equity lens will lead to better results in diverse recruitment and inclusive outreach. This was identified as a pressing issue in the 2024 CBAC listening sessions and Improvement Workgroup. Staffing, infrastructure, and capacity, is necessary to work at the intersection of engagement and inclusion.



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Budget	413,453	64,000		12,003		489,456
FTE	3.00					3.00

Brief Description

This package backfills Supportive Housing Services (SHS) funding that supported the Emergency Management Logistics Team in FY 2025. Due to reductions in the Supportive Housing Services funding, program cuts will reduce logistics staff by 70%, lowering severe weather shelter capacity from 1,300 to 500 people. Adding 3.00 FTE would increase staff to 6.00 FTE, raising shelter capacity to 1,000. This addition would restore winter shelter facility rentals capacity, increase facility evaluations, maintain preparedness programs, improve equipment, planning, and processes, enhance the shelter inventory system, reduce reset time after activations, and coordinate response contracts.

Service & Equity Impacts

Underserved populations are disproportionately impacted by emergencies and are the primary focus of plans, training and response efforts. The severe weather program is designed for and serves the houseless on the highest risk days.