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Title: Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Heart of Illinois Homeless Continuum of Care (HOIHCO) for the Funding Allocation of the 2017-2018 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) to Specified Agencies.

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Attachments: 1. AGMT NO 17-333 SALVATION ARMY HEARTLAND DIV, 2. AGMT NO 17-333 SSOC, 3. AGMT NO 17-333 CENTER FOR PREVENTION OF ABUSE, 4. AGMT NO 17-333 DREAM CENTER, 5. HOIHCO City Peoria ESG Recommendation Letter, 6. Cover Letter - FA + LOI Request, 7. 2018-2019 Letter of Intent

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
11/14/2017	1	City Council	approved	Pass

ACTION REQUESTED:

Communication from the City Manager and the Community Development Director with a Request to Concur with the Recommendation from the Heart of Illinois Homeless Continuum of Care (HOIHCO) for the Funding Allocation of the 2017-2018 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) to Specified Agencies.

BACKGROUND: On Tuesday, September 22, 2015 (Item # 15-317) City Council approved a request from the HOIHCO to be the entity to review applications and make ESG funding recommendations to City Council. On November 18, 2015 (Item # 15-395) City Council concurred with the HOIHCO recommendation for 2015 and 2016 grant funds committed to programs for the 2016 and 2017 calendar year. The 2016/17 contracts with specific agencies will expire on December 31, 2017.

The City received a 2017 ESG grant of \$137,451.00 in October 2017. Of the available seven and a half (7.5) percent allowable for administrative costs, the City reserved approximately seven (7) percent, leaving approximately ninety three (93) percent, or \$127, 751 to be granted to agencies for eligible homeless service programs.

In September 2017, City Staff released a notice of the availability of these funds and requested letters of intent to be sent to the HOIHCO Governing Board. These requests were reviewed by the Board and programs were evaluated according to past performance and outcomes, primarily looking at a program’s success in getting clients into permanent housing (i.e. ending their situation of homelessness). A recommendation was then formulated and approved by the Board based on these considerations. Please see the attached recommendation from the Governing Board Chair as well as the notice of funding availability (FA) and blank letter of intent for reference.

The recommended funding allocation is as follows:

Agency	Program	Recommended Funding	% of Total Grant
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Center for Prevention of Abuse	Emergency Shelter for Families Made Homeless by Domestic Violence	\$21,000	16.44%
Dream Center Peoria	Emergency Interim Shelter	\$27,650	21.64%
Peoria Salvation Army	Family Shelter	\$11,250	8.81%
Peoria Salvation Army	Safety Net Interim Shelter	\$17,250	13.50%
South Side Office of Concern	Rapid Re-housing Program	\$50,601	39.61%

If approved, the City will enter into 2-year grant contracts with the above agencies in order to execute these programs. The contracts will commit the specified amounts of 2017 City ESG funds toward programming in the 2018 calendar year and the above specified percentage of 2018 City ESG funds toward programming in the 2019 calendar year, contingent on the City's receipt of a 2018 ESG grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$127,751 of 2017 ESG funds will be contracted to local agencies and the specified percentages of the 2018 ESG grant will be contracted to these agencies as represented in the above table.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS: None at this time

IMPACT IF APPROVED: The City of Peoria in partnership with the HOIHCOC will continue to work toward the goal of ending homelessness in our community.

IMPACT IF DENIED: 2017 and 2018 City ESG grant funds will not be allocated to support programming at the above agencies and new direction for the distribution of these grant funds will need to be established.

ALTERNATIVES: None identified at this time.

EEO CERTIFICATION NUMBER:

Agency	EEO Number	Expiration
Center for Prevention of Abuse	00697-171231	12/31/2017
Dream Center Peoria	03015-180630	06/30/2018
Peoria Salvation Army	00815-180630	06/30/2018
South Side Office of Concern	00706-180630	6/30/2018

WHICH OF THE GOALS IDENTIFIED IN THE COUNCIL'S 2014 - 2029 STRATEGIC PLAN DOES THIS RECOMMENDATION ADVANCE?

1. Financially Sound City Government, Effective City Organization
2. Attractive Neighborhoods with Character: Safe and Livable

3. Choose an item.

WHICH CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR(S) FROM THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DOES THIS RECOMMENDATION IMPLEMENT?

1. Have an efficient government.
2. Reinvest in neighborhoods.
3. Reduce crime.

DEPARTMENT: Community Development