

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: May 15, 2023

SUBJECT: Consideration for the Community Justice Department to submit a grant application to the Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) Group to support efforts to impact unsheltered homelessness

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval for the Community Justice Department to submit a grant application to the MAC Group in the amount of \$ 1,078,518 to add capacity to rehouse and shelter individuals under Community Supervision.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

COIC is facilitating and convening a Multi-Agency Coordination Group to allocate Governor's Executive Order 23-02 funding at a regional scale, in partnership with the Homeless Leadership Coalition.

Central Oregon is expected to receive \$14 million to support projects across Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties. Projects funds must be spent no later than January 10, 2024.

The following goals have been established by the State for Central Oregon:

- Preventing 354 households from becoming homeless
- Creating 111 new shelter beds
- Rehousing 161 unsheltered households

Applications for funding were due on May 8, 2023. Community Justice submitted an application due to the short turnaround period, but will withdraw the application if it is not supported by the Board.

The request is for \$1,078,518 to buy a four-plus unit residence in Deschutes County to add capacity to rehouse and shelter individuals under Community Supervision who experience increased barriers to housing placements. The department expects to serve 24 clients per year with this funding. The funds would be mostly used for one-time costs such as acquisition of the unit, renovations, start-up costs, etc.

Currently, Adult P&P pays to place these individuals in hotel rooms. The project is expected to save Adult P&P money over time by reducing/eliminating the cost for hotel rooms.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

If the grant is awarded, Community Justice will submit a budget adjustment to account for the revenue and expenditures associated with the grant.

ATTENDANCE:

Trevor Stephens, Community Justice Business Manager Cheyenne Purrington, Coordinated Houseless Response Office Director