

**RESOLUTION NO. 11398**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM APPROVING  
AN INCREASE IN MAXIMUM GRANT AMOUNTS AND  
UPDATED GUIDELINES FOR THE  
SENIORS HELPING SENIORS HOME REPAIR PROGRAM,  
FUNDED BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (FUND 201)**

**WHEREAS**, in 1996, the City Council approved the initiation of the Seniors Helping Seniors Home Repair (SHS) Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the SHS Program assists extremely low- to low-income senior citizens with health and safety issues in their homes; and

**WHEREAS**, under the current SHS Program Guidelines, income-qualified senior citizens may receive minor repair grants (generally up to \$3,500 per year with a provision for up to \$5,000 for special circumstances) for services to repair minor health and safety issues, and a major repair grant (up to \$10,000) every five years for larger home repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the current maximum grant amounts have not been adjusted since 2021 and, therefore, do not reflect the current material costs and labor costs associated with SHS Program home repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, increasing the annual minor repair grant to \$5,000 per year (up to \$7,000 for special circumstances as determined by the Community Development Department Director) and setting the major repair grant to \$12,000 every five years are necessary amendments to the SHS Program Guidelines in order to ensure that the SHS Program continues to provide essential home repair services that allow the City of Folsom's low-income seniors to safely and comfortably age in place; and

**WHEREAS**, increasing the grant amounts for the Seniors Helping Seniors Home Repair Program aligns with the City of Folsom's Housing Element goals by promoting the preservation of existing affordable housing and ensuring that low-income senior residents can maintain safe, habitable homes, thereby supporting the City's commitment to long-term housing stability; and

**WHEREAS**, increasing the grant amounts will have no financial impact on the General Fund because Community Development Block Grant Funds (Fund 201) are, and will continue to be, utilized to fund the SHS grants.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Folsom hereby authorizes the Community Development Department to increase the existing maximum grant amounts for the Seniors Helping Seniors Home Repair Program and update the Program Guidelines.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025, by the following roll-call vote:

**AYES:** Councilmember(s):  
**NOES:** Councilmember(s):  
**ABSENT:** Councilmember(s):  
**ABSTAIN:** Councilmember(s):

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Sarah Aquino, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK