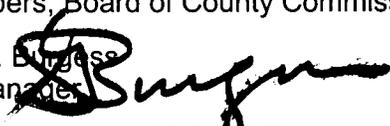


**Date:** June 3, 2010

**To:** Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss  
And Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** George M. Burgess  
County Manager 

**Subject:** Grant Application to U.S. HUD for Homeless Assistance

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) authorize the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to: 1) apply for, receive and expend funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the funding commencing in 2011 for the Supportive Housing Program (SHP), Shelter Plus Care (S+C), and the Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Programs (SRO) for the purposes of providing housing and services to eligible homeless persons through the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust (the Trust) and the Miami-Dade County Public Housing Agency (MDPHA); 2) negotiate and execute such contracts and agreements, some of which may exceed one million dollars if renewed, with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; 3) negotiate and execute contracts with not-for-profit providers selected through a Request for Application (RFA) process issued through the Trust and execute any amendments and renewals, some of which may exceed one million dollars if renewed, following approval by the County Attorney's Office; 4) authorizes the County Manager or County Manager's designee to make direct rental assistance payments to owners on behalf of participating program sponsors/providers under the Shelter Plus Care Sponsor-based Rental Assistance (SRA) Program; 5) to expend any and all monies received for the purpose described in the funding request; to receive and expend any additional funds should they become available under this program for subsequent years; and to file and execute any necessary amendments to the application, modifications, renewals, some of which may exceed one million dollars if renewed, cancellations, and termination clauses of any contracts or agreements.

## **Scope**

Services will be provided Countywide through not-for-profit service providers selected through a competitive process.

## **Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

The total amount anticipated to be received for FY 2010-11 is up to \$32 million and annual renewal amounts are anticipated to be \$32 million annually based on HUD's competitive process. It is also anticipated that the County will provide \$800,000 per year in Food and Beverage Tax match funding to programs serving individuals experiencing chronic homelessness in low demand model programs. However, the majority of the match funding comes from the not-for-profit providers selected through a competitive process that will be funded through this application. These match amounts vary from a dollar for dollar in-kind match to a 25% cash match depending upon the program type and the amount of funding allocated. The leveraging provided by not-for-profits funded under annual applications can amount to \$30 million per year.

## **Track/Record/Monitor**

The Trust will be the department responsible for the monitoring of the Supportive Housing Program not-for-profit service and the MDPHA will be the department responsible for monitoring of the Shelter Plus Care and Section 8 moderate rehabilitation (SRO) providers selected through the RFA. The selected not-for-profit service providers will be monitored by either the Trust or the MDPHA through the existing

monitoring processes of the respective agency that consists of site visits, desk audits, the review of monthly, quarterly and annual progress reports, as well as the analysis of utilization rates.

### **BACKGROUND**

It is anticipated that U.S. HUD will soon announce the issuance of its Super NOFA application making available funding commencing in 2011 for homeless programs throughout the country through a national competition. As in previous years, it is anticipated that U.S. HUD will continue to consolidate its Shelter Plus Care, Section 8 SRO Moderate Rehabilitation for the Homeless, and Supportive Housing Programs in the upcoming notice of funding availability. These programs provide funding to local communities for the development of housing and supportive services for homeless persons.

Annually, to comply with U.S. HUD's requirement for local coordination, Miami-Dade engages in a collaborative effort with invited provider umbrella organizations representing the different levels of the continuum and homeless sub-populations, advocacy groups, homeless persons, representatives from the other entitlement jurisdictions and technical assistance providers, to develop a process for the development of a coordinated application, and to assist providers in developing their plans to be part of the application. The members of this group comprise the Continuum of Care Subcommittee, a subcommittee of the Homeless Trust's Services Development Committee. The Subcommittee develops needs, gaps and priorities following additional input from homeless persons, service providers and staff. Public comment workshops are also held to obtain input from the community on the developed priorities. The funding priorities resulting from this process are approved by the Miami-Dade Homeless Trust Board on an annual basis.

The Super NOFA application calls for local communities to develop a community-wide consolidated application process for services for homeless persons with identified needs and gaps. This process requires the development of an annual analysis of the community's homeless housing and service continuum's gaps and needs, as well as the establishment of homeless funding priorities. Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust is serving as the coordinating agency and applicant for our community. The County has served in this role for the past fifteen funding cycles. Service and housing providers are being selected through a local competitive process (RFA) to serve as subrecipients under this grant; the County only serves as a pass-through for any funding which may result from this federal grant. The Trust will administer all projects selected by U.S. HUD for funding under the Supportive Housing Program and the MDPHA will administer all projects funded under the Shelter Plus Care and SRO programs. Providers interested in serving as subrecipients must submit a local application to be considered for inclusion in the community's consolidated application to U.S. HUD. Sub-recipients submit local applications with federally required program narratives, budget forms and expenditure plans, consistent with the priorities set forth in the RFA. Projects can receive capital, operations, leasing and supportive services funding for terms from one to ten years, depending on the federal funding program.

Following the issuance of the RFA for local subrecipients, a workshop will be held to assist all agencies interested in submitting applications for consideration under the specific priorities of the RFA. A selection committee composed primarily of County staff will select eligible applicants to be part of the County's consolidated application to U.S. HUD. A subrecipient's inclusion in the local consolidated application does not guarantee funding to any subrecipient. U.S. HUD will make the final determination of which projects they will fund as part of their overall evaluation of the County's Consolidated Application submission.

The Miami-Dade Homeless Trust Board will review and approve the applications included in our local consolidated application to U.S. HUD. Due to the short period of time provided by U.S. HUD to respond to this national competition, the foregoing process for the development of a Miami-Dade consolidated application was developed and is being carried out. This process has been successfully utilized for the past fifteen (15) years' funding cycles. The application is usually due to U.S. HUD by mid-summer. In light of this, it is necessary to obtain approval from the BCC at this time.

If funded by U.S. HUD, it is anticipated that the application will provide for the creation of additional permanent housing units, and continuation funding for currently funded transitional and permanent housing programs with supportive services, in addition to services only programs such as employment and outreach. All of the housing and collateral services will be consistent with the County's continuum of care approach, as outlined in the Miami-Dade County Community Homeless Plan.

The Trust also invites all other local entitlement jurisdictions to participate in the overall planning process in order to submit one local coordinated application for funding as part of the national competition. U.S. HUD has advised Miami-Dade that this coordinated and collaborative process would provide more favorable consideration for funding. It is anticipated that preliminary funding recommendations from U.S. HUD would be made by December, 2010.

  
Special Assistant for Social Services



**MEMORANDUM**  
(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** June 3, 2010

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

6-3-10

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM, THE SHELTER PLUS CARE (S+C), AND THE SECTION 8 MODERATE REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FOR CONTINUUM OF CARE HOMELESS ASSISTANCE, AND AUTHORIZING THE HOMELESS TRUST TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR APPLICATION PROCESS TO SELECT NOT-FOR-PROFIT SERVICE PROVIDERS AND AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS, SOME OF WHICH MAY EXCEED ONE MILLION IF RENEWED, WITH COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND TO MAKE DIRECT RENTAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS TO OWNERS ON BEHALF OF PARTICIPATING PROGRAM SPONSORS/ PROVIDERS UNDER THE SHELTER PLUS CARE SPONSOR-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE (SRA) PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to 1) apply for, receive and expend an amount not to exceed \$32,000,000 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Supportive Housing Program (SHP), Shelter Plus Care (S+C), and the Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Programs for the purposes of providing housing and services to eligible homeless persons through the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust and the Miami

Dade County Public Housing Agency; 2) negotiate and execute such contracts and agreements, some of which may exceed one million dollars if renewed, with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; 3) negotiate and execute contracts with not-for-profit providers selected through a Request for Application (RFA) process and any amendments and renewals, some of which may exceed one million if renewed, following approval by the County Attorney's Office; 4) authorizes the County Manager or County Manager's designee to make direct rental assistance payments to owners on behalf of participating program sponsors/providers under the Shelter Plus Care Sponsor-based Rental Assistance (SRA) Program; to expend any and all monies received for the purpose described in the funding request; to receive and expend additional funds should they become available under this program; 5) and to file and execute any necessary amendments to the application, modifications, renewals, some of which may exceed one million dollars if renewed, cancellations, and termination clauses of any contracts or agreements, for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ ,  
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this day of 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2010. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Shannon D. Summerset