

HOMELESSNESS GRANT FUNDING

COMMENTS

This purpose of this budget is to track various grants the county has received to address homelessness as well as to describe the collective efforts aimed at making homelessness brief and non-reoccurring for Madera County. Homelessness is a complicated issue and while funding to address it has increased in recent years, the manner of how they are delivered and administered is often convoluted and uncoordinated. Majority of funding to address homelessness come from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) homeless assistance grants programs. This funding flows through various Continuum of Care (CoC) organizations, who are tasked to administer these funds via a competitive grant process. CoCs, as an organization, are structured differently between counties or groups of counties in a particular region and are determined by HUD. Madera County belongs to the Fresno-Madera Continuum of Care (FMCoC), which is the collaborative tasked to meet HUD requirements and coordinate programs and activities to address homelessness in both Fresno and Madera County. As FMCoC is a non-JPA collaborative, Fresno County acts as the “administrative entity” for purposes of administering competitive bidding and management of federal funding awards to various entities.

More recently, the State of California created the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program (HHAP), which has so far provided three rounds of funding to counties and cities to supplement each jurisdictions HUD resources at addressing homelessness. HHAP grant funds and their uses are described below. In addition, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) provides various funding sources to county human services agencies to address homeless prevention and housing preservation needs for clients of the various programs they serve.

Strategic Plan Development

Due to the complicated and systemic nature of the homelessness crisis, the County will be working with a consultant to develop a comprehensive strategic plan to help make homelessness a temporary and non-reoccurring issue in the county. Funding for this strategic plan was provided to the County by the FMCoC; the plan is expected to be completed by the 3rd quarter of Fiscal Year 2022-23 and will have a countywide focus at addressing homelessness in all areas, including the two incorporated cities. The strategic plan will be coordinated with Housing the Homeless Committee, which is collaborative formed to coordinate various local agency response to the homelessness crisis and aimed to ensure that programs created are complementary instead of duplicative.

Affordable Housing & Shelter Needs

The County, in partnership with the Madera Rescue Mission (MRM) and the Community Action Partnership of Madera County (CAPMC). is currently working on establishing a 7-bed low-barrier triage shelter at MRM. This facility, once completed, will be the first of its kind in the County and will allow CAPMC case managers to stabilize unsheltered individuals, get them document ready, and link them to services to increase their chances of achieving permanent housing.

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Homelessness Funding HHAP-1 Grant

On July 31, 2019, Governor Newsom signed into law the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program (HHAP) (AB 101, Chapter 159, Statutes of 2019). The HHAP program is a block grant program designed to provide jurisdictions with one-time grant funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges informed by a best-practices framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and supporting the efforts of those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

The eligible applicants for the HHAP program funds are the CoC, as identified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), large cities (with a population of 300,000 or more), and counties. Successful applicants were awarded HHAP program funds after entering into a contract with the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency (BCSH). Eligible applicants are expected to administer their own funds separately; however, they are expected to demonstrate regional coordination as outlined in the HHAP program guidance. One of the threshold requirements is that the eligible applicants must submit a plan specifying alignment of funds and goals, strategies, and services, both short-term and long-term, to reduce homelessness and make it non-recurring.

The total Statewide funding for this program is \$640,000,000. The set aside for Counties is \$175,000,000. Awards were based on the county's proportionate share of the total homeless population of region served by the Madera-Fresno Continuum of Care.

In Fiscal Year 2019-20, the County of Madera was awarded \$411,434 as part of the HHAP Round 1 Grant. The funding was received by the County on July 6, 2020 and deposited to the Behavioral Health Org 61740. As part of the grant, an agreement was established between the Behavioral Health Department (BHS) and Community Action Partnership of Madera County (CAPMC). Under this agreement, CAPMC is to provide outreach services in the County for homelessness assistance and prevention. In December 2021, management of the program shifted from BHS to County Administration.

Homelessness Funding HHAP-2 Grant

The Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) made available \$300 million in Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 2 (HHAP-2) block grant funding program authorized by AB 83. HHAP-2 is intended to support local jurisdictions in their unified regional response to reduce and end homelessness. HHAP-2 prioritizes enabling people experiencing literal homelessness move into safe, stable housing, and either funds permanent housing interventions directly or, if used for shelter or street outreach, clear pathways to connect people to permanent housing options.

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Under the HHAP-2 Program, Madera County will collaborate with Community Action Partnership Madera County (CAPMC) and the Madera Rescue Mission to pursue a project under the HHAP-2 funding categories of Rapid Rehousing, Street Outreach, and New Navigation Centers/Emergency Shelters to support the new homeless housing expansion project located at the Madera Rescue Mission.

Homelessness Funding HHAP-3 Grant

On December 17, 2021, the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) announced the availability of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 3 grant funding. HHAP Round 3 is a \$1 billion block grant program authorized by AB140, which was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on July 19, 2021.

HHAP Round 3 is designed to build on regional coordination developed through previous rounds of HCFC Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP), HHAP, and COVID-19 funding. Round 3 funds are to be used to continue building regional coordination and a unified regional response to reduce and end homelessness informed by a best-practices framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and supporting the efforts of those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

COUNTY OF MADERA
 BUDGET UNIT DETAIL
 BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

Department: CAO Homelessness
 (13170)
 Function: Public Assistance
 Activity: Homelessness Prevention
 Fund: General

	<u>ACTUAL 2020-21</u>	<u>BOARD APPROVED 2021-22</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT REQUEST 2022-23</u>	<u>CAO RECOMMENDED 2022-23</u>
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	0	0	189,036	189,036
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</u>				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE				
654000 ST-OTHER	0	188,084	0	0
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	0	188,084	0	0
<u>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>188,084</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
SERVICES & SUPPLIES				
721400 Professional & Specialized Services	0	188,084	189,036	189,036
TOTAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES	0	188,084	189,036	189,036
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>188,084</u>	<u>189,036</u>	<u>189,036</u>
Income Over / (Under) Expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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 BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

Department: CAO Homelessness
 (13171)
 Function: Public Assistance
 Activity: Homelessness Prevention
 Fund: General

	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>2020-21</u>	<u>BOARD</u> <u>APPROVED</u> <u>2021-22</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u> <u>REQUEST</u> <u>2022-23</u>	<u>CAO</u> <u>RECOMMENDED</u> <u>2022-23</u>
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	0	0	239,821	239,821
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</u>				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE				
654000 ST-OTHER	0	411,434	0	0
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	0	411,434	0	0
<u>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>411,434</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
SERVICES & SUPPLIES				
721400 Professional & Specialized Services	0	237,954	66,341	66,341
750000 Operating Transfers Out	0	173,480	173,480	173,480
TOTAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES	0	411,434	239,821	239,821
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>411,434</u>	<u>239,821</u>	<u>239,821</u>
Income Over / (Under) Expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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 BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

Department: CAO Homelessness
 (13172)
 Function: Public Assistance
 Activity: Homelessness Prevention
 Fund: General

	<u>ACTUAL 2020-21</u>	<u>BOARD APPROVED 2021-22</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT REQUEST 2022-23</u>	<u>CAO RECOMMENDED 2022-23</u>
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	0	0	105,327	105,327
<u>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</u>				
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE				
654000 ST-OTHER	0	105,327	421,310	421,310
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	0	105,327	421,310	421,310
<u>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>105,327</u>	<u>421,310</u>	<u>421,310</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
SERVICES & SUPPLIES				
721400 Professional & Specialized Services	0	105,327	526,637	526,637
TOTAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES	0	105,327	526,637	526,637
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>105,327</u>	<u>526,637</u>	<u>526,637</u>
Income Over / (Under) Expenses	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>