



**Health & Human Services  
Agency  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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District Two  
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District Three  
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District Five

**AGENDA DATE:** June 2, 2020

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Charles Felix    PHONE: 559 624 8000				

**SUBJECT:** Accept Emergency COVID-19 funding from Kings/Tulare Continuum of Care

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize Health & Human Services Agency to accept COVID-19 Emergency Homelessness Funding grant allocation in the amount of \$304,808.84 from the Kings/Tulare Continuum of Care for the purposes of leasing hotel space for those impacted by COVID-19.
2. Approve the Allocation Agreement with the Kings/Tulare Continuum of Care effective from June 2, 2020 through June 30, 2020 for the provision of temporary, emergency housing to homeless residents impacted by COVID-19.
3. Authorize the Chair of the Board to sign one (1) copy of the Allocation Agreement.
4. Approve the necessary budget adjustment per the attached AUD 308 (4/5ths vote required).

**SUMMARY:**  
The California Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) has made available a \$100 million block grant to Continuum of Care (COC), county, and large city applicants through the COVID-19 Emergency Homelessness Funding grant. HHSA is requesting authorization to receive the allocations of both the County of Tulare and the Kings/Tulare Homeless Alliance (Homeless Alliance) – the bi-county

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Continuum of Care – from the Homeless Alliance for the purpose of leasing hotel space for the homeless community impacted by COVID-19.

Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (HHAP) direct allocations are based on annually conducted Point-in-Time counts, which function as the local homeless census. The County of Tulare has been allocated \$145,947.25, while the Homeless Alliance has been allocated \$158,861.59. In total, HHSA is in line to receive \$304,808.84 for a COVID-19 homelessness response.

While HCFC makes this money available for a number of potential uses, HHSA and the Homeless Alliance have stipulated that this money be used to provide hotel space for the homeless community impacted by COVID-19. COVID-19 is particularly contagious and if impacted, requires a safe place to quarantine. However, individuals experiencing homelessness often have no place to safely quarantine and live in close quarters, potentially exposing many others to the disease. Proactively providing hotel space for the unhoused will help decrease the risk of COVID-19 transmission in the population.

Additionally, expenses related to hotel stays for the homeless community impacted by COVID-19 are up to 75% reimbursable by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. By pooling local money to these activities, HHSA will maximize the dollar amount available to address COVID-19 for a particularly vulnerable population. The 2019 Point-In-Time count: the latest data available identified 814 homeless individuals in Tulare County. All money allocated for this purpose will be spent strictly within Tulare County and for the Tulare County homeless community. At this point, four hotel sites have been leased for these purposes comprising a total of 151 beds.

The hotel stays will have specific eligibility criteria. The hotels are specifically for those i) Under investigation for exposure; ii) Are COVID-19 positive but not needing hospitalization; and iii) Are COVID-19 negative but particularly vulnerable (e.g. above 65 or with a preexisting health condition). HHSA will work with its partners to identify and receive referrals for this opportunity and rely on the participation of local hotels to help streamline the process. HHSA and partners intend to work with COVID-19 negative tenants and connect them with a wide range of community resources.

The following terms deviate substantively from the standard County boilerplate: 1) The County must indemnify the State and the COC; 2) The COC may terminate the agreement without cause with 30 days written notice.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is no application or administrative fee associated with this program. The AUD 308 adjusts the 19/20 fiscal year budget to include this revenue on line 001-142-1150-5054 and reflects approval to accept the funds and increase our appropriation. There is no additional net cost to the County General Fund.

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**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life initiative to promote public health and welfare for all individuals in Tulare County. Using this allocation for hotels for the unhoused in response to COVID-19 helps control disease transmission and stabilize the living situation for the local homeless community.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

/s/Robert Stewart OBO

Timothy Lutz  
Agency Director

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s)  
Allocation Agreement  
AUD 308

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPT )  
EMERGENCY COVID-19 FUNDING ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
FROM KINGS/TULARE CONTINUUM ) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
OF CARE )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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**AUD-308 - Budget Adjustment Form**

9:36 AM

04/15/20		10/20	2020
Date	Document ID Number	Accounting Period	Budget Fiscal Year
HHS A		Craig Wondergem	624-7479
Agency Name		Contact Person	Phone
		Extension	

Action** A,C,D	Fund	Dept	Appr #	<u>LEVEL 1 Finish Here</u>	Current Amount	Revised Amount	Inc / Dec Amt	
C	001	142	142SSUP		150,681,905	150,377,096	(304,809)	
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<b>Appropriations Total</b>					<i>Need Not Equal Zero</i>	<b>150,681,905</b>	<b>150,377,096</b>	<b>(304,809)</b>

Action** A,C,D	Fund	Dept	Appr #	Unit	Object	Rev	<u>LEVEL 2 Start Here</u>	Current Amt	Revised Amount	Inc / Dec Amt
A	001	142		1150		5054			304,809	(304,809)
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Reason for Adjustment (To Avoid Correspondence, State Reason in Detail)

To increase revenues and expenses for the attached COVID-19 contract.

\_\_\_\_\_  
/s/Robert Stewart  
Affected Dept Head Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Other Affected Dept Head Signature

Checked By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 County Executive Office Action: No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ( ) Approved ( ) Disapproved

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Board of Supervisors Action: No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Distribution: 1: BOS/CAO/Auditor

**\*\* Action Codes: A=Add, C=Change, D=Deactivate**  
 \* Whenever a 93XX account budget is adjusted, a corresponding 94XX account budget must be adjusted in the billing agency, except for ISFs  
 \* Whenever a 95XX account budget is adjusted, a corresponding 96XX account budget must be adjusted in the billing agency, and vice versa  
 \* Whenever a 97XX account budget is adjusted, a corresponding 98XX account budget must be adjusted in the billing agency, and vice versa