

1 Sub to __ 2021 RES-162 (PROPOSED – BARE)

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3 **AUTHORIZING NEW HOUSING PROGRAM SPECIALIST PROJECT POSITION**
4 **DCDHS – HAA DIVISION**
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6 This project is funded with the County’s allocation of local aid authorized in the 2021 American
7 Rescue Plan. Therefore, this resolution follows the format outlined in 2021 RES-013.

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9 **Justification**

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11 Authorizing Law: In March of 2021, the federal government authorized the \$1.9 trillion American
12 Rescue Plan (ARP) stimulus bill authorizing additional funding to respond to and recover from
13 the COVID-19 pandemic across multiple areas of need.

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15 Dane County was allocated over \$106 million in ARP local aid. A portion of those funds has
16 been committed to various efforts to prevent and end homelessness and limit spread of COVID-
17 19 through efforts to provide social distancing in the congregate shelter system.

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19 Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic: The Dane County Department of Human Services
20 (DCDHS) continues to play a substantial role in Dane County’s ongoing response to and
21 recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. The DCDHS’ Housing Access and Affordability Division
22 (HAA) has administered multiple emergency response programs providing non-congregate
23 shelter to prevent exposure to and spread of COVID-19 among households experiencing
24 homelessness, eviction prevention and rental assistance, small business assistance, and more.

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26 Beginning in March of 2020, Dane County funded non-congregate hotel shelter operations and
27 assisted with other congregate shelter expansions to quickly create critical social distancing in
28 the community’s homeless shelter system. The rapid emergence of the COVID-19 Delta variant
29 necessitates an extension of these efforts, and continued collaborative partnerships with the
30 City of Madison, Public Health Madison-Dane County, and frontline agencies to address other
31 emerging issues related to safe sheltering.

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33 Additional staff capacity is required in the HAA Division to monitor these contracts and manage
34 Dane County’s responsibilities related to congregate and non-congregate sheltering. An
35 additional 1.0 FTE Project Housing Program Specialist will be required.

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37 Duplication of Funding/Existing Partnerships and Programs: The funding is cooperative with
38 other project staff positions, as additional capacity is needed to manage ongoing sheltering
39 efforts.

40 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that position authority in the Human Services
41 Department is increased by 1.0 FTE, effective 10/01/2021 so as to add 1.0 FTE Project Housing
42 Program Specialist (P10) within the HAA Division of the Department of Human Services, payroll
43 org 6080; and,

45 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board requests quarterly reports be shared
46 with the members of the County Board, and that the Health and Human Needs Committee
47 review the reports on a quarterly basis and discuss how the information presented
48 addresses anticipated program outcomes.

49 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the following new revenue and expenditure accounts be
50 adjusted in the 2021 operating budget:

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52 Revenue

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
80000 81367	ARP Revenue	<u>\$27,050</u>
Total		\$27,050

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58 Expenditure

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
80000 10009	Salary	\$17,900
80000 10099	Retirement	\$1,425
80000 10108	Social Security	\$1,375
80000 10117	Health	\$6,200
80000 10153	Dental	\$450
80000 10180	Life	\$50
80000 10250	Salary Savings	(\$350)
Total		\$27,050

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