

**DANE COUNTY
POLICY AND FISCAL NOTE**

_____ Original	_____ Update	Substitute No.
Sponsor:		Resolution No. 2020 RES-337
Vote Required:		Ordinance Amendment No. _____
Majority	Two-Thirds	X

Title of Resolution or Ord. Amd.:

AWARDING A CONTRACT TO TENANT RESOURCE CENTER, INC. FOR PANDEMIC RESPONSE EVICTION PREVENTION AND HOUSING STABILITY SERVICES DCDHS - HAA DIVISION

Policy Analysis Statement:

Brief Description of Proposal -

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, the related crisis of the nation's economic downturn has created record unemployment and housing instability. On December 27th, 2020, President Trump signed the \$900 billion COVID-19 relief bill authorizing additional funding to respond to the pandemic across multiple areas of need. The act includes \$25 billion in funding for rental assistance, with Dane County anticipated to receive more than \$8.5 million of that amount to support local efforts to prevent evictions and provide housing stability.

Dane County Department of Human Services (DCDHS) Housing Access and Affordability (HAA) seeks to award a contract to the Tenant Resource Center (TRC) to administer a \$8,564,699 eviction prevention fund. Direct assistance for tenants in 2021 would continue to come wrapped in housing counseling, education for the landlord on federal mortgage protections, case management, outreach, and mediation services provided by TRC.

Current Policy or Practice -

Budget changes require County Board approval.

Impact of Adopting Proposal -

Per the federal government, funding may be used to pay past rental and utility arrears and future rent and utility costs once any arrears have been cleared. To help ease the burden on renters, landlords or owners may apply on behalf of tenants meeting the eligibility requirements.

Fiscal Estimate:

Fiscal Effect (check all that apply) -

- _____ No Fiscal Effect
- Results in Revenue Increase
- Results in Expenditure Increase
- _____ Results in Revenue Decrease
- _____ Results in Expenditure Decrease

Budget Effect (check all that apply)

- _____ No Budget Effect
 - Increases Rev. Budget
 - Increases Exp. Budget
 - _____ Decreases Rev. Budget
 - _____ Decreases Exp. Budget
 - _____ Increases Position Authority
 - _____ Decreases Position Authority
- Note: if any budget effect, 2/3 vote is required

Narrative/Assumptions about long range fiscal effect:

These funds are a one-time allocation to meet the current needs. There is zero impact to the county tax levy in accepting these funds.

Expenditure/Revenue Changes:

	Current Year		Annualized			Current Year		Annualized	
	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease		Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease
Expenditures -					Revenues -				
Personal Services					County Taxes				
Operating Expenses					Federal	\$8,564,699			
Contractual Services	\$8,564,699				State				
Capital					Other				
Total	\$8,564,699	\$0	\$0	\$0	Total	\$8,564,699	\$0	\$0	\$0

Personnel Impact/FTE Changes:

N/A

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