

2021 RES-050

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE MADISON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR COVID-19 PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE TO DANE COUNTY NON-PROFITS AND AMENDMENT TO THE 2021 OPERATING BUDGET

Many non-profit organizations in Dane County have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Fundraising channels normally open to organizations have been hampered by social distancing measures. Organizations have also been restricted in many of their programming efforts that generate income and some have experienced extraordinary expenses to meet needs and to sustain their operations.

Dane County has been awarded approximately \$106.2 million through the American Rescue Plan State and Local Fiscal Assistance Fund. One stated purpose of this Federal Initiative is to allow local governments to assist businesses and non-profits cope with the negative economic consequences of the pandemic. Other county initiatives with this funding are designed to address businesses, but this initiative is targeted specifically toward non-profit organizations. The initiative leverages a partnership with the Madison Community Foundation (MCF) which has extensive contacts and experience assisting non-profits in Dane County.

This \$5 million initiative is designed to assist non-profits that have suffered economically due to the pandemic sustain their operations into the future through direct grants of aid administered by MCF. There will be one round of funding awarded through an application process developed and administered by MCF. MCF will retain up to \$150,000 for administration of the program, the balance of not less than \$4,850,000 will be awarded to grantees.

MCF will provide the county with a list of all grant recipients and the amounts awarded.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board authorizes the award of a contract to the Madison Community Foundation in the amount of \$5 million and the County Executive and County Clerk are authorized to execute the agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2021 operating budget be amended to include account ADMADM NEW "ARP Non-Profit Assistance" with a budget amount of \$5,000,000 and account ADMADM 81367 "ARP Revenue" be increased by \$5,000,000; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Controller's Office is authorized to issue checks pursuant to the contract.