



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 02/21/2024

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL TO SUBMIT THE PHASE 41 EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO THE EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER NATIONAL BOARD PROGRAM – HUMAN SERVICES**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submission of the Phase 41 Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Grant Application and Resolution to the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program for grant funding in the amount of \$75,000.00.

BACKGROUND

The EFSP is a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funded program that supplements and expands ongoing work of local nonprofit and governmental social service organizations to provide shelter, food and supportive services to individuals and families who are experiencing, hunger and/or homelessness. The EFSP was created to supplement and expand the work in effort to help people with economic emergencies (not disaster-related emergencies). EFSP funds must be used to supplement feeding, sheltering (including transitional sheltering), and rent/mortgage and utility assistance efforts only.

On March 14, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #140481, accepted Phase 40 EFSP Grant funding in the amount of \$30,416.00, providing twenty-seven (27) months of rent for eighteen (18) Tarrant County residents. The program year for Phase 40 EFSP funds was November 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

The Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program recently announced Phase 41 funding for all jurisdictions. The Tarrant County jurisdiction has been awarded \$982,901.00 in Phase 41 funds.

With approval, Tarrant County Human Services will apply for \$75,000.00 in Phase 41 Grant funds, go continue providing the support services mentioned above.

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant request is for \$75,000.00. No match required. No operating subsidy required.

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