



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 12/13/2022

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING RELATED
TO THE ARPA HOUSING PROGRAM REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve staff recommendations for funding related to the ARPA Housing Program Request for Proposals.

BACKGROUND

On August 16, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #138806, approved the \$32.5 million ARPA Housing program as presented by the Continuum of Care ARPA work group, to be funded with \$32.5 million of Tarrant County's State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (FRF).

The Request for Proposals (RFP) opened on October 3, 2022 at Noon and the cutoff for consideration in 2022 was November 11, 2022. Through the RFP, nine proposals were submitted for a total of \$83 million in requested FRF dollars.

An evaluation committee made up of one (1) representative each from Tarrant County Housing, Tarrant County Community Development, Tarrant County Homeless Coalition, the Continuum of Care Board, the finance and lending industry, and one (1) individual with lived experience was responsible for reviewing and scoring each proposal in the areas of quality of development; financial feasibility; development capacity and federal funding experience; community impact; community participation; economic and community inclusion; community collaboration; and project readiness.

The four (4) projects being recommended for FRF funding have been determined eligible under the U.S. Treasury Final Rule, comply with the established RFP requirements, and have been reviewed, scored, and recommended by the evaluation committee. The list of recommended projects is not exhaustive and may be added to in the future.

With this action, the Commissioners Court authorizes staff to begin contract discussions with each organization that has been recommended for funding. Staff will bring each contract back to Court for final approval at a later date.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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