

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 8/30/2022

File #: 22-1039

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Administration

Agenda Section: Time Certain Matter

SUBJECT:

Presentation on Department of Health and Human Services Housing and Homeless Services.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive a presentation by the Department of Health and Human Services on housing and homeless programs and services.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Social Services Fund, Behavioral Health Fund, Public Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) operates several programs to reduce homelessness including:

- Housing, Outreach and Mobile Engagement
- CalWORKs Housing Support Program
- Adult Protective Services Home Safe
- Child Welfare Services Bringing Families Home
- Housing Disability Advocacy Program
- Transitional Housing Placement Program for foster and probation youth
- Housing Opportunity for People With AIDS and HIV/AIDS Re-Housing Team

This presentation will provide a brief overview of these programs and services.

The Point-In-Time (PIT) count is a biannual count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single night in January, as mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Numbers from the count are used by the state of California to allocate funding to counties to address homelessness and housing. This presentation will provide an overview of the

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Humboldt County PIT count held in January 2022.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Most of the housing funds in DHHS reside in Fund 1160, Budget Unit 520 Housing, Outreach and Mobile Engagement (HOME). The proposed annual budget for fiscal year (FY) 2022-23 is \$8,106,625. This includes funding from 11 grants. The funding supports the HOME program and 25 professional services agreements for housing services throughout the county.

There are also housing grants specific to programmatic activities in Behavioral Health, Public Health and Social Services. These fund sources include California Office of AIDS, Mental Health Services Act and California Department of Social Services.

There is no impact to the General Fund associated with receiving this informational report.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

The recommended actions support the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Framework by protecting vulnerable populations and creating opportunities for improved safety and health.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: None

<u>ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS</u>: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: None

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL: Board Order No.: N/A Meeting of: N/A File No.: N/A