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REPORT

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SUBJECT: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Super Notice of Funding Availability (SuperNOFA) Applications

SUMMARY

Issue: Should the Housing Commission authorize two grant applications to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the 2002 SuperNOFA?

Recommendation: Authorize grant applications under the 2002 SuperNOF A for the Housing Choice Voucher Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program Coordinators Program and the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Public Housing Service Coordinator Program, and seek Housing Authority approval to amend the FY03 Housing Commission Budget to reflect the addition of awarded funds and to execute all required documents.

Fiscal Impact: Successful applications will result in the receipt of approximately \$310,000 from the FSS Program Coordinators Program and \$58,247 from the ROSS Service Coordinator Program.

Previous Related Actions: The Housing Commission applied for and received awards for grants under both programs in 2001. Applications to the FSS Program Coordinators Program and the ROSS Service Coordinator Program were authorized by the Housing Commission on April 20, 2001 and May 11, 2001, respectively.

Future Related Actions: This action will be calendared for Housing Authority approval on July 16, 2002.



BACKGROUND

The SuperNOFA is the process that HUD uses to notify potential applicants of available funding through its competitive grant programs. The SuperNOFA for Federal Fiscal Year 2002 was published on March 26, 2002. At this time, staff is seeking approval to submit two applications and will return to the Commission on June 7, 2002 for authorization to submit additional applications once all criteria are analyzed and addressed.

DISCUSSION

San Diego Housing Commission staff is requesting authorization to apply for the following programs:

- (1) **Housing Choice Voucher Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program Coordinators Program:** This program promotes economic independence and self-sufficiency by providing funds to aid residents of assisted housing in gaining access to both public and private resources. This application requests renewal funding for our current FSS Program Coordinators Grant and provides support for current staff positions serving Section 8 participants within the FSS Program. Staff is also requesting funding that will help off-set costs for current homeownership activities related to FSS performed by existing staff positions, which is newly eligible under this year's NOFA (Attachment No. 1). The application for this grant must be received by HUD by May 21, 2002.

- (2) **Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Public Housing Service Coordinator Program:** This program, formerly known as the Service Coordinator for Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program, provides funds for services for elderly and disabled public housing residents. The Service Coordinator helps residents obtain the services they need in order to maintain independent living. This application requests renewal funding for our current Public Housing Service Coordinator grant, which provides services to elderly and disabled residents living at the Belden Village, Maryland Street, Meade Avenue and 1st Avenue developments (Attachment No.2). Awards under this grant program are processed by HUD on a first-come, first-served basis until all funds are allocated. Therefore, the application was submitted prior to this Housing Commission meeting and this report seeks ratification.



ALTERNATIVES

Do not seek funding under these programs. This is not recommended as it would result in the reduction or loss of valuable resources that support self-sufficiency programs.

CONCLUSION

The funding applications described in this report will continue and strengthen existing programs and support the Commission's goal to "Implement resident initiatives including opportunities for self -sufficiency ."

Respectfully submitted,

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**Signature on File
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Approved by,

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Attachments:

- 1: Proposed Budget for Housing Choice Voucher Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinators Grant
- 2: Proposed Budget for ROSS Public Housing Service Coordinators Grant