## **OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'**

## **RESOLUTION 5 - 2024**

## A resolution approving Homeless Housing fund allocations for use in 2024

**WHEREAS**, a Request for Proposal (RFP) notice was published for use of Okanogan County Homeless Housing Funds collected per RCW 36.22.250 which requires a document recording surcharge to be charged by the county auditor for each document recorded; and

**WHEREAS**, the Housing Coalition reviewed eight responsive proposals from six agencies that provide low income housing services and on November 21, 2023 the coalition provided its recommendation to the county commissioners for funding the proposed activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds are available through Okanogan County for the purposes of accomplishing the county's local homeless housing plan pursuant to chapter 484, Laws of 2005, and for eligible housing activities that serve extremely low and very low-income households in the county consistent with countywide and local housing needs and policies; and

**WHEREAS,** the proposals were determined to meet eligible activities under the local plan and RCW 36.22.250; and

WHEREAS, eligible housing activities to be funded are limited to:

(i) Acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of housing projects or units within housing projects that are affordable to very low-income households with incomes at or below 50 percent of the area median income, including units for homeownership, rental units, seasonal and permanent farmworker housing units, units reserved for victims of human trafficking and their families, and single room occupancy units;

(ii) Supporting building operation and maintenance costs of housing projects or units within housing projects eligible to receive housing trust funds, that are affordable to very low-income households with incomes at or below 50 percent of the area median income, and that require a supplement to rent income to cover ongoing operating expenses;

(iii) Rental assistance vouchers for housing units that are affordable to very low-income households with incomes at or below 50 percent of the area median income, including rental housing vouchers for victims of human trafficking and their families, to be administered by a local public housing authority or other local organization that has an existing rental assistance voucher program, consistent with or similar to the United States department of housing and urban development's section 8 rental assistance voucher program standards; and

(iv) Operating costs for emergency shelters and licensed overnight youth shelters.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners, that the following allocations for Homeless Housing Funds, from county Homeless Housing Fund 142, for use in 2024, are approved as follows:

Okanogan Community Homeless Shelter	\$ 75,000
Okanogan Behavioral Healthcare	\$ 45,000
Okanogan Community Action Council	\$ 27,500
Foundation for Youth Resiliency & Engagement	\$ 2,000
Room One	\$ 14,000
WestEast Designs	\$170,000
TOTAL	\$333,500

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Clerk of the Board is directed to prepare the contracts between Okanogan County and the applicants for use of the funds beginning January 1, 2024;

DATED at Okanogan, Washington this 23 day of January 2024. BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OMMI. OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON Jon Neal, Chairman ATTEST Andy Hover, Member 20 Ranc Laleña Johns, CMC Clerk of the Board Chris Branch, Member