



MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission
From: Patrick L. Mauney, Executive Director
Date: April 20, 2021
Subject: Foothills Housing Network Update

Rebecca Wareham, Continuum of Care Coordinator for Foothills Housing Network, will provide an update on FHN, including the recently completed Point in Time Count, COVID-19 spending on non-congregate shelter in the region and other FHN activities from recent months.

REQUESTED ACTION: None required.

**Foothills Housing
Network**
Balance of State Local Planning
Group
COVID-19 Funding

	Emergency Shelter Operations	Targeted Prevention	Rapid Rehousing	Admin	Total
COVID Emergency Funding Support	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	\$21,525	\$21,525
VHSP COVID Funding	\$214,953	XXX	XXX	XXX	\$214,953
State COVID Relief	\$362,900	XXX	XXX	\$19,100	\$382,000
CHERP	\$897,344	\$100,000	\$125,000	\$66,167	\$1,188,511
State HTF	\$334,650			\$10,350	\$345,000
Total	\$1,809,847	\$100,000	\$125,000	\$117,142	\$2,151,989

Funding Descriptions:

COVID-19 Emergency Funding Support (Virginia Housing): \$21,525

Performance Period: March 1, 2020 – August 30, 2020

State funding which provided general operations dollars to community agencies to support continued operations for provide housing services. Funds were used to support local housing agencies expenses on staffing/fringe, insurance, and building costs. Funds were not used for direct assistance to support clients. Funding was allocated to Community Touch, Inc.-\$12,500, Services to Abused Families, Inc.-\$5,500, and Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission-\$3,525.

VHSP COVID-19 Funding for Emergency Shelter Operations (DHCD): \$241,953

Performance Period: April 2, 2020 – December 31, 2020

State COVID-19 funding was used to provide temporary, emergency shelter for those experiencing homelessness during the pandemic. Funds were allocated to be expended on hotel rooms, and case management for those that would otherwise be unsheltered, to ensure some of the Commonwealth's most vulnerable citizens had safe shelter during the pandemic. Funding was allocated to Culpeper Housing and Shelter Services, as they were the only LPG partner eligible at the time through VHSP Emergency Shelter Operations funding.

State COVID Relief (DHCD): \$362,900 + \$19,100 in Admin

Performance Period: Through December 31, 2020

State funding which was provided to continue support for non-congregate sheltering through the end of 2020 to ensure that individuals were not forced to exit emergency hotel shelter due to lack of funding. It was awarded to Culpeper Housing and Shelter Services (\$332,000), and Community Touch Inc. (\$50,000). Note, this funding did not last through the end of 2020, and federal CHERP funds started being used in early October.

Virginia COVID Homeless Emergency Response Program (CHERP)

**** Federal passthrough from DHCD****

CHERP Allocation 1 for Rapid Rehousing: \$125,000 (\$118,750 + \$6,250 in Admin)

Performance Period: April 2, 2020 – September 30, 2022

Federal (HUD) ESG-CVI funding passed through Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to the region for Rapid Rehousing activities. Rapid Rehousing funds are used to support those experiencing homelessness to return to permanent housing as quickly as possible with case management and short-term housing subsidies. Rapid Rehousing funds under the CHERP allocation allow for intensive case management, staffing capacity, landlord incentives, and longer-term housing subsidies. Funding was allocated to People, Inc., and is sub-contracted to Culpeper Housing and Shelter Services, and Community Touch Inc., while also partially funding a full-time Homeless Diversion & Housing Case Manager employed by People, Inc. to serve PD9.

CHERP Allocation 2: \$1,066,011 (\$999,844 + \$66,167 in admin)

Performance Period: April 2, 2020 – September 30, 2022

Federal ESG-CV2 funding passed through Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to the region for Emergency Shelter Operations (\$799,844), Rapid Rehousing (\$100,000), Targeted Prevention (\$100,000) and Administration (\$66,167). Funding was allocated to Culpeper Housing and Shelter Services (ESO + sub-contract for RRH/TP), Community Touch Inc. (ESO + sub-contract for RRH/TP), and People, Inc. (contract for RRH/TP).

DHCD State Housing Trust Fund Allocation: \$345,000 (\$334,650 + \$10,350 in admin)

Performance Period: April 2, 2020 – September 30, 2022

Funding from the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) State Housing Trust Fund to the region for continued Emergency Shelter Operations (\$345,000).