



CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Douglas Schulze, City Manager

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MEETING DATE: October 8, 2024

SUBJECT: Receive and File Opportunity Village Project Update

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and File

BACKGROUND:

Opportunity Village is funded through a combination of grant funds and Housing Funds. On January 11, 2022, City Council approved Resolution 2022-04 Declaring a Shelter Crisis Pursuant to Government Code Section 8698.2. Staff was given direction to seek any grant funding available for these purposes and to expend City Housing Funds to address the homeless crisis in the City of Banning. The City was able to obtain ESG-CVII (Emergency Service Grant) funds in the amount of \$175,000 specifically to help defray the cost of personnel and \$175,000 to help offset the cost of security for the Village. The terms of these grants were met, and the City was reimbursed the complete \$350,000. In addition to the grant funds \$1,209,604 in Housing funds were designated for this project for a total budget of \$1,559,604. The Grants Manager continues to seek funds for the homeless in a very competitive environment.

In August 2023, the City was awarded a grant from Cal ICH Encampment Resolution Fund Round 2 (Cal ICH ERF-2) in the amount of \$980,461. The use of these funds is specific and must be approved by Cal ICH prior to spending. Quarterly Reports are required to determine funds are being spent appropriately and timely. Conditions include grant funds be 100% committed and 50% spent by June 30, 2024. The budget and projects for this grant is included with this report as an attachment.

JUSTIFICATION:

Year one of Opportunity Village was a heavy investment in capital improvements. The day-to-day operations is considerably less as shown in FY 2023/2024. With the laws regarding the handling of the homeless changing rapidly the situation will continue to be a challenge for our community and all communities in California. Since opening Opportunity Village the staff has interfaced with over 200 homeless individuals. Of these 200, 140 has enrolled in Opportunity Village. 76% of these have successfully entered rehabilitation programs, been rehoused, reunited with families or have returned to their original cities. The current count of homeless in Banning is 127.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Project HA2201

Year	Amount Spent
2022/2023	\$1,098,201.60
2023/2024	\$ 188,900.05

2024/2025 \$ 12,962.83
Balance Available: \$259,539.52
Total Opportunity Village Payroll
9/21/2021 through 9/15/2024 \$580,501.54

Cal ICH ERF-2 Grant Project Code HA2401	\$980,461.00		
Year	Amount Spent	2023/2024	\$504,230.64
2024/2025	\$ 13,257.67		
Balance Available:	\$462,972.69		

ALTERNATIVES:

Receive and File

BUDGETED?:

No

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:

No

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [1. CC Resolution No. 2022-004.pdf](#)
2. [2. Shelter Expenses Tracking FY2023.pdf](#)
3. [3. Shelter Expenses Tracking FY2024.pdf](#)
4. [4. Shelter Expenses Tracking FY2025.pdf](#)
5. [5. Cal ICH ERF-2 Funding Budget.pdf](#)
6. [6. Cal ICH ERF-2 Expenditure Tracking.pdf](#)
7. [7. Opp Village_All Wages_09.20.2021-09.15.2024.pdf](#)