

Memorandum

REPORT TO: City Commission

FROM: Brit Fontenot, Economic Development Director

SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to sign the Emergency and Transitional Housing Grant Agreement in the amount of \$259,000 with Family Promise of Gallatin Valley.

MEETING DATE: November 18, 2025

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Grant

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to sign the Emergency and Transitional Housing Grant Agreement in the amount of \$259,000 with Family Promise of Gallatin Valley.

STRATEGIC PLAN: 4.5 Housing and Transportation Choices: Vigorously encourage, through a wide variety of actions, the development of sustainable and lasting housing options for underserved individuals and families and improve mobility options that accommodate all travel modes.

BACKGROUND: The City of Bozeman has entered into a grant agreement with Family Promise of Gallatin Valley to support the organization's transitional housing and stabilization program for families experiencing homelessness. This initiative is part of a collaborative effort between HRDC and Family Promise, funded through a total of \$550,000 in City resources dedicated to emergency and transitional housing services.

Under the agreement, Family Promise will receive \$259,000 from the City's Community Housing Fund. The funding will assist approximately 37 family households with transitional housing support, including rental assistance, case management, and one-time stabilization costs such as deposits, vehicle repairs, and utility payments.

The program aims to provide flexible housing solutions that bridge the gap between emergency shelter and permanent housing. Participants will be referred through the Coordinated Entry system, ensuring resources are prioritized for those with the greatest need. Program outcomes target:

- 75% of participants maintaining housing through the one-year program period; and
- 70% maintaining stable housing for an additional year after program completion.

All funds will be distributed from Family Promise directly to landlords or vendors, with quarterly reports submitted to the City detailing financial activity, occupancy rates, and participant outcomes. The grant is effective upon signing and will remain in place through June 30, 2027.

Supporting Family Promise of Gallatin Valley is an important investment in Bozeman's collective response to housing instability. The organization plays a critical role in:

- Preventing chronic homelessness: By helping families transition from shelter to stable housing, this program reduces reliance on emergency systems and strengthens long-term self-sufficiency.
- Enhancing community stability: Safe, stable housing for families promotes better health, educational, and economic outcomes, benefiting the entire Bozeman community.
- Strengthening local collaboration: The partnership between Family Promise and HRDC ensures efficient use of resources, shared data, and coordinated service delivery.

This grant advances the City's commitment to supporting equitable access to housing, aligns with the strategic goal of reducing homelessness, and demonstrates Bozeman's leadership in addressing housing challenges through community-based partnerships.

For additional details, please see the attached grant agreement and accompanying exhibit.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As directed by the City Commission.

FISCAL EFFECTS: This Family Promise Emergency and Transitional Housing Grant is for \$259,000. The total grant amount between the two organizations, Family Promise and HRDC (\$291,000), is \$550,000. The Community Housing Fund (CHF) provides funding for this grant. The CHF fund will maintain a balance of approximately \$492,000 once the funds are distributed to both grantees.

Attachments:

[250711 CITY OF BOZEMAN GRANT AGREEMENT_Fam Promise Transitional Housing \(Final\).pdf](#)
[Transitional Housing Reportng - CoB-HRDC-FamPromise \(Final\).pdf](#)

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