

# City Council Staff Report

Subject: Grant Agreement with The Gathering Inn for Homelessness

Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Services (FY 2023/24)

**Date:** June 27, 2023

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#### **Recommendation:**

Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement with The Gathering Inn for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Services (FY 2023/24).

### **Background:**

The City of Rocklin has provided annual funding to The Gathering Inn (TGI) over the course of many years. Initial funding for TGI was through the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. However, since the amount of funding available from that source is extremely limited for services, the City has gradually transitioned TGI to other sources. Typical funding requests in 2018 and 2019 have been for \$50,000 per year, which has been budgeted and paid most recently from the City's Low Moderate Income Housing Asset (LMIHA) Fund. Due to increased demand for homeless related services, TGI requested funding in the amount of \$60,000 for these activities in fiscal years (FYs) 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23.

For FY 2023/24, a total of \$65,000 was requested. The funding amount is anticipated to be approved as part of the City's FY 2023/24 Budget. City Council approval is required for all contracts that exceed \$50,000.

The Gathering Inn provides a variety of services and activities for the homeless in Rocklin and throughout Placer County. Expenditure of these funds is required to benefit Rocklin homeless and residents in Rocklin under the threat of homelessness through Homelessness Prevention Rapid Rehousing (HPRR) activities.

The Gathering Inn will use the funds only to provide the services contemplated by Health and Safety Code section 34176.1. As noted in the attached proposed grant agreement, TGI will specifically support direct services program staff including associated taxes and benefits for the Housing Specialist who maintains a list of housing options, manages HPRR funds, coordinates interviews with landlords, and accompanies guests on housing inspections prior to

move-in. In addition, funds will be used for Rapid Rehousing to support security and utility deposits; application fees; acquiring required documentation; and landlord incentives.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The total cost associated with this grant agreement is not to exceed \$65,000.

Consistent with prior years, the majority of the funds (\$48,000) will be made available to TGI upon City Council approval of the contract and execution of the agreement by both parties. The remaining \$17,000 will be issued to TGI following the submittal of required Annual Reports following the end of the 2023/24 fiscal year.

Adequate funds to cover this item are included in the City's proposed FY 2023/24 Budget in the Low Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Resolution Exhibit A Grant Agreement
- 3. Resolution Exhibit 1 to Exhibit A Accomplish Data