



TACOMA HOUSING AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION 2011-6-22(2)

DATE: June 22, 2011
 TO: Board of Commissioners
 FROM: Michael Mirra, Executive Director
 RE: Authorization to Submit ROSS Service Coordinator Grant Application

Background

On April 21, 2011, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinator grant. Tacoma Housing Authority is eligible to apply for \$240,000 for a three-year grant. Grant applications are due July 13, 2011.

ROSS Service Coordinator grants are used to fund staff to coordinate supportive services and other activities designed to help public housing residents attain economic and housing self-sufficiency. These services enable participating families to increase earned income, reduce or eliminate welfare assistance and progress toward economic independence. THA established its Service Coordinator program for our family developments with a \$240,000 HUD grant awarded in 2008. THA plans to continue the program with the Service Coordinator grant HUD offers in 2011

The Service Coordinator grant includes funding for a project coordinator for three years, administrative expenses and training. The proposed budget is outlined below.

<u>Proposed Activity</u>	<u>(1 year)</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>(3 years)</u> <u>Amount</u>
<u>PERSONNEL</u>		
Program Coordinator (Salary and Fringe Benefits)	\$68,000	\$204,000
<u>ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS</u>		
<u>STAFF TRAINING AND TRAVEL</u>	\$10,000	\$ 30,000
	\$ 2000	\$ 6000
TOTAL	\$80,000	\$240,000

Recommendation

Approve Resolution 2011-6-22(2) authorizing the Executive Director to submit a HUD Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinator grant application with a proposed budget of \$240,000 for a three-year term to provide supportive services and other activities to help public housing residents attain economic and housing self-sufficiency.



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Whereas, On April 21, 2011, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinator grant;

Whereas, The NOFA specifies that Tacoma Housing Authority ("Authority") is eligible to apply for \$240,000 for a term of three years;

Whereas, The Authority plans to continue its Service Coordinator program at its family housing developments;

Whereas, The Authority plans to provide services to help public housing residents attain economic and housing self-sufficiency through the Service Coordinator program;

Whereas, The Authority has developed a preliminary budget of \$240,000 for the provision of Service Coordinator program components;

Resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma, Washington,

1. That the Executive Director of the Tacoma Housing Authority submit a HUD ROSS Service Coordinator grant application with a proposed budget of \$240,000 for a three-year term to provide services to help public housing residents attain economic and housing self-sufficiency.

Approved: June 22, 2011


Dr. Arthur Banks, Chairman