



RESOLUTION 2023-04-26 (2)

Date: April 26, 2023

To: THA Board of Commissioners

From: April Black
Executive Director

Re: Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street Supportive Housing -- Conversion of HUD-VASH vouchers to Project Based VASH Vouchers

This resolution would authorize the conversion of twenty (20) Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers to project-based VASH vouchers at the new Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street Supportive Housing project.

BACKGROUND

Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street Supportive Housing project will provide 60 units of affordable housing in downtown Tacoma. There will be 20 one-bedroom units at the S. 13th Street building and 20 one and 20 two-bedroom units at the S I Street building. Onsite services will be provided by BIMA (Believing In Myself Again), a local service provider. Services are voluntary and will include, case management services, drug and alcohol assessments as needed, referrals to outside organizations and classes (i.e. parenting, financial management, life skills, job readiness). All units will be leased to families and individuals with an income mix of 30% to 50% area median income. The projected completion date is December 31, 2024.

The Department of Veterans Affairs American Lake Division strongly supports this project and THA's commitment to convert twenty (20) tenant-based HUD-VASH vouchers into Project-Based HUD-VASH vouchers for this project.

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approval is not required for this conversion. However, a letter of support from the Department of Veterans Affairs Puget Sound Health Care System (American Lake Division) is needed prior to this action, stating it is in support of the decision and committing to continued provision of care management services. On June 23, 2022, THA received letter of support from the VA,

meeting HUD's only requirement for conversion of these vouchers (see Exhibit A). THA and the VA have a strong working relationship, which will streamline the referral of households to occupy the twenty (20) Project Based VASH units set aside at Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street Supportive Housing project.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution 2023-04-2 (2) authorizing the conversion of twenty (20) HUD-VASH Vouchers to Project-Based VASH Vouchers at Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street Supportive Housing project.



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(Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street Supportive Housing project -- Conversion of HUD-VASH vouchers to Project Based VASH Vouchers)

A **RESOLUTION** of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Tacoma

WHEREAS, Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street project will provide 60 units of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street project will house very-low-income and extremely low-income households in our community; and

WHEREAS, THA has underutilized HUD-VASH vouchers available; and

WHEREAS, THA and the Department of Veterans Affairs Puget Sound Health Care System (American Lake Division) agree that the conversion of these HUD-VASH vouchers will provide an additional housing option for many homeless veterans in our community; now, therefore, be it

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

THA's Executive Director is authorized to approve the conversion of twenty (20) HUD-VASH vouchers to Project-Based VASH vouchers at Shiloh Baptist S. 13th & S. I street development.

Approved: April 26, 2023



Shennetta Smith, Chair