

Homelessness and Supportive Housing Fund

(Housing First Program)

FY17-18 and FY18-19 Expenditure Plan

This expenditure plan for the Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) Fund for FY17-18 and FY18-19 is submitted to the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Section 10-100.77(f) of the San Francisco Administrative Code. The Administrative Code requires the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to submit this expenditure plan if annual proposed appropriations from the Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) Fund exceed \$11.9 million. This plan must include estimates of the amounts to be spent for various purposes, as well as an explanation of who is to benefit from these expenditures, how many people will benefit, and how the proposed benefits will be provided.

Planned Expenditures: The budget for the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing includes proposed expenditures from the Homelessness and Supportive Housing Fund of \$17,591,306 in FY17-18 and \$17,591,306 in FY18-19 (see Attachment). The proposed expenditures are divided into two general categories: housing and services. The proposed FY17-18 expenditures are supported by \$15,087,069 in projected FY17-18 HSH Fund revenues, and \$2,504,237 in General Fund. The proposed FY18-19 expenditures are supported by \$15,087,069 in projected FY18-19 HSH Fund revenues, and \$2,504,237 in General Fund.

Beneficiaries: The Housing First Program is funded by the Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) Fund. The beneficiaries of the proposed spending under this plan are homeless and formerly homeless County Adult Assistance Programs (CAAP) clients of the Department of Human Services. Since the beginning of the Housing First Program in May 2004, a total of 4,826 homeless and formerly homeless CAAP clients have been placed into permanent supportive housing (data through December 2016).

How Benefits Are Provided: Access to the Housing First Program is provided to any CAAP client listed as being homeless with their assigned CAAP worker. These clients are offered an opportunity to apply for housing if it is available. Until a housing placement is made, shelter is offered by the CAAP worker for the time between monthly homeless verification appointments. Each time the homeless CAAP clients see their eligibility worker for a monthly homeless verification appointment, their worker checks to see if housing is available. Additional outreach is done to homeless CAAP clients who have been using shelter for long periods. As housing opportunities are available, homeless CAAP clients are referred to the HSH Housing Access Team that provides support through the screening and placement process. When a client is placed in housing, the Housing Access Team arranges with the CAAP worker for benefits to be adjusted and routed correctly, and then notifies both the CAAP and Food Stamps Division of the Human Services Agency of the client's new address.