Passed 8-1 (Willsey)

RESOLUTION 01-08

AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF COUNCIL DISCRETIONARY SOCIAL SERVICES FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 2001

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Common Council have set aside $100,000 for discretionary social services funds this year; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council established the Social Services Funding Committee (Committee) to make recommendations to the full Council regarding the allocation of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the Committee includes council members Patricia Cole, Mike Diekhoff, Tim Mayer, Tony Pizzo, and L. David Sabbagh, and Community and Family Resource Commission members Robin Donaldson and Laurie Eynon (with Robin Vuke serving as alternate); and

WHEREAS, the Committee held two preliminary meetings in March and took steps to clarify the procedures, improve the quality of the applications, extend and better articulate the deliberations, and assure proper implementation of the agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Committee provided a Policy Statement, which set forth and elaborated upon the following criteria for making their recommendations:

1. The program should address a previously identified priority for social services funds (as indicated in the SPAN/MC or another community-wide survey of social service needs); and
2. The funds should provide a one-time investment that, through matching funds or other fiscal leveraging, makes a significant contribution to the program; and
3. This investment in the program should lead to broad and long lasting benefits to the community;

and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2001 twenty-two agencies submitted applications by the 4:00 p.m. deadline; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2001 five of the applications were dropped from consideration when, according to procedures adopted in March, at least five members of the Committee submitted a list indicating that, either because the applications did not meet the criteria or were not competitive with the rest, those five applications did not merit a presentation; and

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2001 the Committee heard presentations and asked questions from seventeen remaining applicants; and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2001 the members of the Committee submitted ratings of those seventeen applications on a scale of 0 to 5; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2001 the Committee decided to fund eleven of the applications with a rating of 3 or above and lowered the requested allocation from the two largest grants in order to fully fund the remaining nine applications; and

WHEREAS, based upon those decisions, the Committee recommended allocating $100,000 in the following amounts to the following applications, which are briefly mentioned below:

1. American Red Cross (Monroe County Chapter) - $5,100 for the purchase of 12 folding tables and 48 padded, stacking chairs for their community classroom;
2. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Monroe County, Inc. - $8,779 to purchase and install all windows and glass doors on the first floor of their 418 South Walnut facility which will include four windows (with three vents), 134 square feet of store front windows, and two doors;
3. Bloomington Housing Authority - $6,502 to purchase and install 24 round pole-top fixtures with new 150 watt high pressure sodium cobra head fixtures and arm brackets at their Walnut Woods complex;

4. Center for Behavioral Health - $1,639 for the purchase of "The Incredible Years Advanced Parent Training Program: Dina Dinasaur Social Skills and Problem Solving Curriculum;"
5. Community Kitchen of Monroe County, Inc. - $10,721 to purchase equipment that will serve a second food preparation and distribution site at 1100 W. 11th Street including an upright convection oven (for Rogers Street), freestanding upright cooler, milk cooler, hot food holding unit, freestanding upright cooler (for Rogers Street), stainless steel work table, electric rice cooker, and miscellaneous pots, pans, small appliances and utensils;
6. Hoosier Hills Food Bank - $3,000 to purchase food for needy city residents;
7. Middle Way House, Inc. - $23,885 to pay for the salary of the managing cook in a new child care catering/parent take-out small business and nutrition program;
8. Monroe County United Ministries - $32,884 to pay for rent and utilities of city residents at risk of being dislocated;
9. My Sister's Closet of Monroe County - $1,130 to purchase at least two rolling clothes racks, two professional steam cleaners, and fifteen tagging gun sets for their "store;"
10. Options for Better Living - $4,966 to purchase equipment for CPR training including adult (including replacement parts), child and infant manikins, First Save AED trainer, and CPR and First Aid workbooks;
11. Planned Parenthood of Greater Indiana, Inc. - $1,394 to purchase a equipment needed to test for anemia including a HemoCue and one-year's supply of microcuvettes; and

WHEREAS, the eleven agencies receiving funds understand the terms of the funding agreements which have been prepared for each grant and agree to abide by the terms of those agreements; and

WHEREAS, the staff of the HAND department will arrange for the disbursement of the grant funds pursuant to the funding agreements, which will be interpreted by the Chair of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pizzo, as Chair of the Committee, wishes to clarify the terms of the funding agreements for two agencies: first, the Monroe County United Ministries will be able to submit claims for services incurred as early as January of 2001 and as late as May of 2002; and second, the Middle Way House will be able to submit claims as late as May of 2002;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

1. The Common Council allocates one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) set aside for social services funds in 2001 to the following agencies for the following amounts and in accordance with the funding agreements approved in Section (2): 1) American Red Cross (Monroe County Chapter) - $5,100; 2) Big Brothers Big Sisters of Monroe County, Inc. - $8,779; 3) Bloomington Housing Authority - $6,502; 4) Center for Behavioral Health - $1,639; 5) Community Kitchen of Monroe County, Inc. - $10,721; 6) Hoosier Hills Food Bank - $3,000; 7) Middle Way House, Inc. - $23,885; 8) Monroe County United Ministries - $32,884; 9) My Sister's Closet of Monroe County - $1,130; 10) Options for Better Living - $4,966; 11) Planned Parenthood of Greater Indiana, Inc. - $1,394.

2. The Council approves the funding agreements for these allocations, which are attached and made a part of this resolution, and directs the Office of the Controller to issue checks in the ordinary course of business to the agency once the staff of the Housing and Neighborhood Development Department submit a copy of the signed agreement and the appropriate purchase orders.

3. The Council authorizes the Chair of the Social Services Funding Committee to resolve any questions regarding the implementation of the funding agreements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 20th day of June, 2001.

PATRICIA COLE, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED AND APPROVED by me upon this 14 day of June, 2001.

JOHN FERNANDEZ, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution follows the recommendations of the Council Social Services Funding Committee (Committee) and allocates $100,000 in discretionary social services funds appropriated in the year 2001 to 11 agency applications. The resolution also approves the funding agreements with these agencies and authorizes the Chair of the Committee to resolve any questions regarding the interpretation of the agreements.

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