Passed 7-1-0 (Wisler, Sturbaum absent)

RESOLUTION 07-04

AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF THE JACK HOPKINS SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 2007 AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the Common Council established the Social Services Funding Committee (Committee) in 1993 to make recommendations to the entire Common Council regarding the allocation of discretionary social services funds and, in 2002, named the program in the honor of Jack Hopkins, who was instrumental as a Council member in the establishment of this funding program; and

WHEREAS, according to Resolution 02-16, the Committee serves as a standing committee of the Council with five members from within the Council appointed by the President of the Council and with as many as two members added by the Committee from other city entities; and

WHEREAS, this year the Committee includes Council members Tim Mayer (chair), Mike Diekhoff, Andy Ruff, David Sabbagh, and Susan Sandberg along with Community Development Block Grant Citizen Advisory Committee member, Tony Pizzo and Community and Family Resource Commission member Hans Huffman; and

WHEREAS, this year the City increased the funding from $135,000 to $145,000; and

WHEREAS, the Committee held a preliminary meeting on March 1, 2007 to establish the program procedures for the year; and

WHEREAS, at that time, the Committee reaffirmed the 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 *Service Community Assessment of Needs* (SCAN), the City of Bloomington Housing and Neighborhood Development Department's *2005-2010 Consolidated Plan* or any other 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, by the deadline at 4:00 p.m. on April 2, 2007, 20 agencies had submitted applications seeking approximately $246,500 in funds; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2007, the Committee met to discuss and eliminate applications from further consideration and on May 3, 2007, the Committee heard presentations from 17 agencies; and

WHEREAS, in the days following the presentations, the members of the Committee rated those proposals on a scale of 0 to 5; and

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2007, the Committee met for a Pre-Allocation meeting and passed a series of preliminary motions that funded 14 applications and these recommendations were adopted by the Committee at the Allocation meeting on May 21, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the 14 agencies receiving funds understand 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

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

SECTION 1. The Common Council now allocates one hundred and forty-five thousand dollars ($145,000) set aside for the Jack Hopkins Socials Services Funding program in 2007 to the following agencies for the following amounts and in accordance with the funding agreements approved in Section 2:

Agency	Grant Amount	Purpose
Bloomington Hospital Positive Link	$2,360.00	To pay for transportation assistance, training materials and client services materials for the *Mpowerment* group support program.
Bloomington Housing Authority	$5,600.00	To pay for the salary for the Neighborhood Nurse and supplies for the Neighborhood Nurse program.
El Centro Comunal Latino	$11,000.00	To provide compensation for the Program Coordinator Position whose duties include supervising and directing three existing programs and implementing two new programs.
Community Kitchen of Monroe County, Inc.	$29,800.00	To purchase and install a walk-in cooler and freezer for the 917 South Rogers facility.
Martha's House, Inc.	$2,400.00	To pay for a commercial washer and dryer for the Emergency Shelter.
Middle Way House, Inc.	$6,500.00	To pay for salaries, taxes, and benefits for House Manager and weekend staff for the Emergency Shelter.
Monroe County United Ministries, Inc.	$28,080.00	To subsidize affordable childcare costs for working families residing in the City.
My Sister's Closet	$2,500.00	To purchase equipment for resale store of women's workforce clothing and a display case to inform the public about the program.
Planned Parenthood of Indiana, Inc.	$5,000.00	To pay for wellness exams for the *Friend to Friend Patient Pass* program which serves low-income women in the City of Bloomington.
Shalom Community Center, Inc.	$5,450.00	To purchase and install a three-compartment deep well sink and convection oven for the Shalom Community Center currently located at 219 E. 4th Street.
South Central Community Action Program Head Start	$5,000.00	To purchase and install additional surfacing material for the Arlington Park and Lindbergh Center playgrounds.
Stepping Stones	$1,314.00	To purchase tutoring and back-to-school supplies for the Stepping Stones, Inc. *Tutoring* program.
Stone Belt Arc, Inc.	$7,746.00	To renovate quadrant of manufacturing center for production of client-designed and manufactured fine art pieces.
Volunteers in Medicine of Monroe County	$32,250.00	To purchase computer equipment, commercial grade multi-function printer, subscription to messaging system, and IT network and support for a new, community health care clinic for uninsured residents of Monroe and Owen counties.

SECTION 2. The Council approves the funding agreements for these allocations, copies of which are kept in the Council Office and HAND department files, 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.

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

SECTION 4. The Council also approves the Report of this Standing Committee of the Common Council, which is comprised of the relevant portions of the packet memo and the related packet materials.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 20th day of JUNE, 2007.

DAVE ROLLO, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 21st day of JUNE, 2007.

MARK KRUZAN, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution brings forward the recommendations of the Jack Hopkins Social Services Funding Program Committee. The principal task of the Committee is to recommend funding for local social services agencies which offer proposals consistent with program criteria. Over the last 14 years (1993 – 2006), the City has expended in excess of $1 million dollars to local social services programs and, in 2007, decided to increase the annual amount of funds from $135,000 to $145,000. The resolution allocates the social services funds to 14 agency programs, approves the funding agreements with these agencies, accepts the report of the Committee, and authorizes the chair of the Committee to resolve any questions regarding the interpretation of the agreements.

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