



City of Bloomington Common Council

2020 Jack Hopkins – Recover Forward Packet Addendum

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Regarding Agency Applications**

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Organization	Project Description	All Comments	Amount Requested
All Options	Essential supplies for local families	1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$4,000 for the purchase of diapers. 2.) Need p. 0013 describes increase in cost of pregnancy tests by 375%. Graph on p. 0015 utilizes the pre-increase number of \$1 per test 3.) Request is for personal safety/hygiene products/personal protective equipment.	\$ 4,450.00
American Red Cross	Home Fire Relief	1.) Did not include year-end financial statements with Spring application and was not asked to do it for RF Express application. 2.) Appears to be the same project that went unfunded in the spring. 3.) Did not indicate if/how they would proceed with partial funding 4.) Committee questioned agency's ability to use requested funding within the funding window, as needs resulting from natural disasters are variable	\$ 15,000.00
Amethyst House	Residential Bridge Funding	1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$18,000 to upgrade buildings 2.) Most if not all past agency requests for funding were for physical improvements to facilities (including funded request from earlier in 2020) 3.) Agency is now requesting bridge-funding due to drop in 2020 revenue to assist in covering costs of salaries and benefits for residential case managers and technicians at the programs for two months 4.) Committee may want to confirm timeframe of request (for salaries/benefits in which months?)	\$ 25,000.00
Artisan Alley	Virtual learning Program	1.) Not funded in Spring of 2020 2.) Did not check whether program would be able to proceed with partial funding. 3.) No project budget included 4.) Request is for pilot project funding to launch Virtual Learning Program, which includes online classes and a take-home Art-in-a-Box project 5.) Agency prioritized funding requests, but did not address question of whether project could proceed with partial funding 6.) Committee may want to inquire how the agency would proceed with partial funding, as well as what the "small ticket prices" would be for the project	\$ 7,150.00
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Lessening the Affect of ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences)	1.) Not funded in Spring of 2020 2.) Requesting amount equal to about 10% of total project cost. 3.) No project budget included. 4.) Project is named "Lessening the Affect of ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences)" and agency estimates total project cost at \$384,930 (\$38,000 from Jack Hopkins) 5.) It's unclear from the application whether this request for funding is simply to support the general activities of agency, as the application seems to address the mission of BBBS rather than the particular project	\$ 38,000.00
Boys & Girls Club	Youth Pod School Age Childcare	1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$15,000 for continued operations 2.) Agency did not include a separate project budget, but did itemize funding priorities in application 3.) Agency requests bridge funding for Youth Pod School Age Childcare program, due to increased costs in providing programming due to COVID-19	\$ 24,000.00
Catholic Charities	Safe Work Space Project	1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$20,278 toward therapist salary 2.) Agency is requesting air filters and other related items to ensure a safe work environment, allowing for resumption of in-person therapy services	\$ 2,014.23
Centerstone	Kinser Flats Permanent Supportive Housing: Welcome Home	1.) Not funded in Spring of 2020 2.) Committee should note that agency requests funding for items it will likely purchase before city funds are available, so will be seeking reimbursement for purchases already made. 3.) Committee may want to explicitly state what items it will fund (if any), as well as an acceptable reimbursement timeframe.	\$ 18,900.00
City Churches of All Nations	Used Moving Truck	1.) Same application as the Spring 2020, which the Committee did not fund. 2.) Included no estimate for moving truck. 3.) Not operational funds. Other factors: Outreach van was vandalized and is not usable week grant application was completed. 4.) No project budget included 5.) Unclear how agency would proceed with partial funding.	\$ 15,000.00
Courage to Change Sober Living	Case/House Managers Salaries	1.) In Spring of 2020 - full funding of \$6,000 for rental assistance 2.) Recently certified by the National Association of Recovery Residences. 3.) Committee may want to clarify the timeframe for the salaries requested 4.) May want more information about United Way funding (ending in Dec 2020?)	\$ 4,438.56

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<p>El Shadday and I</p>	<p>New Wheelchair Van</p>	<p>1.) Application requests funds for wheel chair accessible van. Application also requests funds for insurance, registration, a years worth of gas, and a years worth of oil changes. No indication of how these ongoing expenses will be paid. 2.) No project budget included. 3.) Agency request same as the request submitted in the Spring, with minor changes to amounts (not funded in the Spring); not clear how agency could proceed with partial funding; additional comments from spring application: 4.)First Time-Applicant – Request for Vehicle – The request from a first-time applicant for money toward a vehicle has been a difficult one in the past. Along with the usual questions (e.g. the availability of a used vehicle), the Committee has asked: for more detail on the scale of the operation (e.g. number of clients and transports per week in the past); about collaborations and referrals; confirmation of city residents served; and, use of vehicle for other purposes 5.)One-Time Funding – No Well-Developed Plan for Future Funding – The application did not recognize that about [\$12,500] of the request was for annual, operational costs. The application does not include the required well-developed plan for future funding when requesting operational funds, but the financial statement indicates payment for the fuel and maintenance for the current 11+ year old wheel chair van. 6.)The Committee might want to know whether the old vehicle will no longer be used. 7.)Fiscal Leveraging – Blank – This request is one of the highest in the program’s 25+ year history and the application does not identify any contributions from other sources.</p>	<p>\$ 65,171.00</p>
<p>Foundation of Monroe County Community Schools</p>	<p>Disinfecting Through COVID-19</p>	<p>Not funded in Spring of 2020</p>	<p>\$ 7,200.00</p>
<p>Habitat for Humanity</p>	<p>406 N Spring St, lumber for construction</p>	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$10,000 for site preparation 2.) Operational funds. Increased lumber costs, Habitat monthly shortfall due to families unable to pay mortgages, etc. due to Covid. 3.) Agency states that number of city residents served would be 5 - committee may want to consider proportionality</p>	<p>\$ 21,185.00</p>
<p>HealthNet Inc.</p>	<p>COVID-Risk Mitigation for Safe Patient Care</p>	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 - full funding \$19,590 for dental equipment. 2.)No Budget or estimates included 3.) Agency requests 3 air purifiers; one replacement filter will be donated by manufacturer with each purifier;</p>	<p>\$ 5,518.98</p>
<p>Life Designs</p>	<p>PPE for Disability Services</p>	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$8,800 for support services 2.) Requested amount seems to be for 6 months worth of PPE 3.) Committee may want to clarify over what period of time the agency would seek reimbursement for these expenses</p>	<p>\$ 15,000.00</p>
<p>Meals on Wheels</p>	<p>Medically tailored meals</p>	<p>In Spring of 2020 - full funding of \$7,260 for meal transporters 2.) Committee may want to ask how soon agency would be able to submit claims for any awarded funding (if other funding sources come through, would agency spread out use of funding?)</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p>Middle Way House</p>	<p>Middle Way House on-going PPE costs</p>	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$3,000 for climate control panel 2.) Consider these funds operational. 3.) Did not check whether would be able to continue with partial funding. 4.) No project budget included. 3.) Agency mentions PPE in project synopsis, but #1 priority item is technology upgrades - committee may want to seek clarification on what the technology upgrades are; agency did not include separate project budget</p>	<p>\$ 10,000.00</p>
<p>Monroe County United Ministries</p>	<p>Building up Monroe County Residents</p>	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$16,000 for computers and software 2.) Agency seems to be requesting funding for four separate initiatives rather than one cohesive project+B38 agency did not attach separate project budgets for any of the proposed projects (though the outcome indicators field has some budgetary information)</p>	<p>\$ 23,500.00</p>
<p>Mothers Hubbard's Cupboard</p>	<p>Winter preparation and staff support</p>	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 - full funding of \$10,000 in bridge funding 2.) Agency's prioritization list doesn't prioritize the items, but rather lists two different amounts of "staff support" 3.) Committee may want to clarify the order of priority of the individual items requested 4.) Committee may want to seek additional detail about the "staff support" - e.g., how many hours, how many employees, at what rate?</p>	<p>\$ 25,000.00</p>

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New Hope for Families	Strong Healthy Families	<p>1.) In Spring 2020 - Received partial funding of \$13,000 to pay salary of Family Service Coordinator.</p> <p>2.) Number of residents served is confusing. According to their website, the shelter capacity is 7 families a day and the childcare facility has a capacity of 16 kids a day.</p> <p>3.) Agency does not acknowledge personnel costs as operational funding</p> <p>4.) Agency notes that any equipment purchased would travel with the agency when it relocates</p>	\$ 30,000.00
New Leaf New Life	Re-Entry Support & Direct Service Items	<p>1.) In Spring of 2020 received partial funding of \$9,000 to expand hours for 2 part-time employees.</p> <p>2.) Committee may want additional information about the rate of pay for requested staff, as well as anticipated timeline for agency to seek reimbursement</p>	\$ 9,540.00
Planned Parenthood of Indiana and Kentucky	Patient Assistance for Contraception and Preventative Care	<p>1.) In Spring 2020 - full funding of \$11,134 for colposcopy equipment.</p> <p>2.) Agency requests funding subsidies for various services, but does not acknowledge the items as operational expenses and includes no plan for future funding</p> <p>3.) Committee should seek information about the timeline for agency to seek reimbursement of any awarded funding</p>	\$ 10,000.00
Safe Families for Children in Monroe County	Reach 10 additional families	<p>* Submitted a FULL application but needed an EXPRESS.</p> <p>1.) Did not provide a "project budget"</p> <p>2.) Indicate this is a collaborative project but it is not.</p> <p>3.) Were not funded in 2020.</p> <p>4.) Agency was a first-time applicant in Spring</p> <p>5.) Committee should clarify whether agency would be able to submit claims for reimbursement before deadline</p> <p>6.) Committee may also want to seek additional detail on the funding for salaries (rate, number of hours, etc.)</p>	\$ 10,000.00
Shalom Center	Shalom Covid Response	Received partial funding of \$21,000 in Spring 2020 for renovations. (not bathroom)	\$ 24,500.00
St. Vincent DePaul	Bloomington Utility Assistance Program	<p>1.) In Spring 2020 - full funding of \$15,000 for rental assistance</p> <p>2.) Committee should clarify the timeframe for the agency to seek reimbursement for any awarded funding</p>	\$ 15,000.00
Wheeler Mission	Shelter and case management for those experiencing homelessness in era of COVID-19	<p>1.) In Spring 2020 received partial funding of \$17,000 for staff</p> <p>2.) Agency is seeking personnel funding (it received some funding for personnel in Spring)</p> <p>3.) While agency did not classify request as bridge funding, this request would seem to fall under that category</p>	\$ 15,600.00
Bloomington Pets Alive	Pet Wellness Clinic and Spay/Neuter Program Bridge	<p>1.) First Time Applicant</p> <p>2.) Committee may want to seek additional detail about requested items, especially personnel request</p>	\$ 17,500.00
Flourish Inc.	Reducing Barriers to Lactation Support During COVID and Beyond	<p>1.) First time applicant</p> <p>2.) Ask is equal to their total 2019 income.</p> <p>3.) Agency is requesting funding for various year-long subscriptions/activities - committee should clarify whether agency can submit claims for all awarded funding within claim timeframe</p>	\$ 7,308.00
Harmony School	Harmony School Scholarship Support	<p>1.) Agency has provided different levels of scholarship support that the committee could offer</p> <p>2.) Agency noted it would like guidance from City about appropriate schedule for submitting claims (which may depend on when scholarships are made available to students)</p>	\$ 20,000.00
Hotels for Homeless	Keeping Women and Children Out of the Cold	<p>1.) Not a certified 501(c)(3) but fiscal agent is New Hope for Families.</p> <p>2.) New applicant to JHSSF, sponsored by NLNL</p> <p>3.) Committee may want to clarify how partial funding would affect the program (would agency serve fewer clients vs. running program for shorter period of time?)</p>	\$ 18,600.00
Indiana Recovery Alliance	Support Funds	Committee may want to seek clarification on request for payroll support (rate, number of hours) as well as timeframe for agency to submit claims	\$ 20,000.00
Monroe County Humane Society	Emergency Housing for Pets	<p>1.) Provided full IRS tax form 990 which is 97 pages long. I did not include it in the application packet but instead, attached the Summary.</p> <p>2.) Agency's stated timeframe for reimbursements may not work with city claim processes</p> <p>3.) Request is for operational funding, but agency does not acknowledge this or provide well-developed plan for future funding</p> <p>4.) Agency did not provide separate project budget</p>	\$ 2,000.00

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My Sister's Closet	Continuing Client Services in the Midst of Covid-19	1.) Agency is requesting funding to supplement lost revenue, but does not speak in detail about how funding would be used, other than stating for "salary deficient[cy]" and noting that they would submit monthly claims based on paid wages 2.) Committee should get additional information about what funding would be used for (number of employees, wages paid, timeframe for claim submissions) etc.	\$ 25,000.00
Project School	Online Learning & Social-Emotional Supports for Students & Families During the Pandemic	Request is for technology/equipment that would be purchased before the end of the year	\$ 16,324.00
Refugee Support Network	Supporting Bloomington Refugees	1.) First time applicant 2.) All volunteer organization with board president seat vacant and acting executive directors. 3.) Committee may want additional detail about timeline for submission of claims, and how funding for medical support services would be put to use	\$ 5,000.00
WFHB Community Radio, Inc.	Youth Radio Project	1.) First time applicant 2.) Agency listed date of "Monday 17, 2021" as date of last claim - committee should clarify what month. 3.) Committee should also clarify details about personnel funding (rate, # of hours)	\$ 8,700.00

Total Requests \$ 591,599.77
Amount Available \$ 200,000.00

General Comments

Any awarded funding needs to be for some identifiable purpose/item. Many agencies are simply requesting funding in general, with varying levels of detail on how that funding would be used. Once the committee makes funding recommendations, the city and agencies will enter into funding agreements. Those funding agreements will need to specify how agencies are to use awarded funds. The more specific the committee can be about what items/programs awarded funding should be used for, the better.