

City of Bellevue

## Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Interagency Agreement Amendment

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# **Direction from Council**

Seeking direction on an Ordinance

- 1) authorizing the execution of an interagency agreement to accept \$2,179,500
- 2) amending the 2019-2020 Operating Grants and Donations Fund to increase the appropriation by \$2,179,500
- 3) amending the 2019-2020 Human Services Fund to increase the appropriation by \$1,079,500
- 4) authorizing the use of CARES Act funding

#### **Overview of CARES**

On September 1, 2020, the State of Washington announced several amendments to the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) :

- 1) extended the end date of the contract between Commerce and local jurisdictions from October 31 to November 30, 2020 and
- 2) increased the funding allocation to local jurisdictions with populations under 500,000 by \$126 million above the originally allocated \$300 million

### **Overview of CARES**

City of Bellevue received an additional \$2,179,500 allocation.

- \$625,000 for city operational costs forecasted through November 30, 2020
  - Public health, public safety, and administrative costs incurred to respond to and mitigate the impacts of COVID-19
- \$475,000 for Cultural and Economic Development
- \$1,079,500 for Human Services
  - Food, rent assistance, and shelters

#### **Cultural and Economic Development**

- \$475,000 total allocation
  - \$375,000 to fund an additional 75 relief grants targeted to businesses in priority sectors
    - Current grant program has received 296 applications
  - \$100,000 Community Organization Sustainability Grants
    - Resiliency and sustainability funding to ensure continued partner operations such as business and artist support

### Human Service Agency COVID-19 Impacts

Human service agencies facing significant unbudgeted expenses related to COVID-19

- increased demand for services
- implementing COVID-19 safety procedures including costs associated with social distancing, cleaning supplies, and personal protective equipment.
- simultaneous income deficits due to a decline in donations.

### Human Service Agency COVID-19 Impacts

#### **Recommendation:**

\$1,079,500 be disbursed as grants to human service agencies currently under contract with the City of Bellevue.

#### **Process:**

- Agencies complete a short application
- Agencies provide documentation of the costs they have incurred due to the COVID-19 public health emergency that have not and will not be covered through another funding source.
- Staff will review all applications
- Funding distributed to all currently contracted agencies who meet the eligibility criteria.

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