



Board Action Report

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Commissioner Brown - DHHS (Social Services Division) - To Accept and Appropriate Emergency Rental Assistance Funds from the US Department of Treasury in the Amount of \$2,143,378 (**100% Federal Funds, No County Match Required**)

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BUDGET IMPACT

Appropriate Federal revenues. No additional County funds.

BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

Increase Federal revenues by \$2,143,378 and appropriate \$2,143,378 into Special Programs accounts.

BACKGROUND

The Department of US Treasury made available through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds for a second allocation for the Emergency Rental Assistance program to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Grantees use the funds to provide assistance to eligible households through existing or newly created rental assistance programs. At least 85 percent of awarded funds must be used for direct financial assistance, including rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, utilities and home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing. Remaining funds are available for case management and other administrative costs. Funds generally expire on September 30, 2025.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request (BCR)