Good Afternoon,

We are pleased to announce the funding awards for the Community Investment Partnership (CIP) consolidated RFP funding round for 2019-2020. The CIP received 44 applications requesting $7,890,924 in funding for a wide variety of programs to address essential needs serving all areas of our community. A total of $4,616,519 was available for this funding round.

A panel of 7 experts in the housing field were selected to review the Housing Services and Housing Capital project applications (25 of 44 applications) and provide the CIP with a priority ranking of the proposals. The CIP members reviewed and ranked the Housing Basic Needs and Basic Needs applications (19 of 44 applications). After considering all relevant information the CIP recommended to the Board of County Commissioners the attached list of programs and projects to receive funding for the year beginning on July 1, 2019. This recommendation provides funding for 30 programs and projects operated by 13 agencies, with 9 agencies receiving multiple awards. Overall, 68% of the applications were awarded funding (30 of 44). Funding recommendations range from $10,000 to $2,130,000. They reach into every area of the county, and provide assistance to a wide range of needs including homelessness, families in need, victims of domestic violence, home repairs, meals, and affordable housing to mention a few examples.

Funding for the RFP include local, state, and federal sources. The CIP, through their public private partnership, awarded the local human services funds and in addition recommended to the Board of County Commissioners the awards for federal, state and local homeless and affordable housing program funds. The CIP local human services funding in the amount of $444,814, comes from the United Way of Thurston County, Thurston County, and the cities of Olympia, Lacey, Tumwater, and South County cities of Yelm, Bucoda, Rainier and Tenino. Of this $444,814, $244,795 was awarded in a previous year as multi-year contracts to 7 local organizations providing assistance to children and families. In addition, $4,416,500 in federal, state and local homeless and affordable housing revenues were available in this funding round.

This funding round included the CIP recommending multi-year funding awards to certain programs and projects. These future commitments are dependent on the County, the Cities, United Way and our federal and state partners providing revenue that is equal to this year’s funding and agencies meeting performance standards in their contracts. They are identified in the attached CIP Funding Award Notice. The multi-year awards do not apply to capital, CHDO and basic needs projects.

Special Note: The recommended Housing Awards are dependent on the receipt by the county of federal and state revenue contracts. Contract awards may vary based on the amount of the federal and state awards.

This information and the list of funded applicants are listed on the Housing and Homeless Prevention website located here: http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/sscp/CIP.html and on United Way of Thurston County’s website at www.unitedway-thurston.org. Thurston County is the authorized entity to enact contracts under the Community Investment Partnership structure and will be contacting the funded programs shortly to complete the award process.

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