



**Agenda Item No. 4  
September 7, 2011 Meeting**

**DATE:** August 19, 2011

**TO:** Children and Families Commission of Orange County

**FROM:** Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director

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**SUBJECT:** Timeline and Renewal Process for Homeless Prevention Grants

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**SUMMARY:**

The Commission Fiscal Year 11/12 budget includes funding for both Homeless Prevention direct service (\$2,352,000) and catalytic (\$940,000) grants. This agenda item includes a recommendation on a timeline and process for allocation.

**Funding Renewals of Transitional Shelter Services**

The Commission funds a total of nine programs that provide direct services to homeless families which are scheduled to terminate on December 31, 2011. During the review and approval of the Commission's FY 11/12 budget in May 2011 renewal funding amounts were anticipated and included in the budget. Attachment 1 includes a list of the direct service provider, area of focus and anticipated annual funding amounts that were included in the FY 11/12 Budget.

Staff has begun a renewal process and has initiated a performance review process for their current scope of work and shelter program. In addition, a working group of Commissioners and staff will be convened to review the proposed renewals. A recommendation for renewal funding for each program will be presented to the Commission for action at your October 2011 meeting.

**Emergency Shelter for Children and Families - Catalytic Funding Opportunity**

Within the Homeless Prevention budget category, the Commission set aside a minimum of \$940,000 specifically to support the development of a year round emergency shelter facility targeting families. Specifically, this catalytic investment is targeted to increase the county's capacity to provide emergency shelter and basic services to homeless families with very young children. The funding may only be used for a project that has the potential to reduce the Commission's ongoing support of related emergency services during the cold weather armory program (specifically the Family Redirection Program). Additionally, a sustainable project will also require a significant amount of leveraged funding from other sources and will benefit from linkage to the countywide homeless plan efforts led by the Ending Homelessness 2020 Board.

Consistent with prior Commission direction on all homeless capital investments, staff is working with HomeAid Orange County who will take the lead on developing a project. HomeAid will develop a plan for the project and return in November to present plan to the Commission.

**STRATEGIC PLAN & FISCAL SUMMARY:**

The proposed funding actions have been specifically reviewed in relation to the Strategic Plan, and are consistent with the Strong Families goal and specifically the Homeless Prevention Initiative. The funds requested are included in the FY 11/12 Budget within the Homeless Prevention budget category.

**PRIOR COMMISSION ACTIONS:**

- October 2010 - Renewal funding awards
- May 2011 - Adopted FY 11/12 Budget including homeless prevention

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

1. Receive report and direct staff to return in October 2011 with renewal funding recommendations for the transitional shelters.
2. Direct staff to return in November 2011 with a progress report and a preliminary funding plan for the Emergency Shelter Catalytic Investment.

**ATTACHMENT:**

1. Homeless Prevention Renewals

**Contact:** Kim Goll

**Preliminary Homeless Prevention Renewal Budget  
(From Adopted FY 11/12 Budget)**

**Attachment 1**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Annual Funding Amount</b>
Casa Teresa	Direct Service- Transitional shelter for pregnant women	\$500,000
Precious Life Shelter	Direct Service- Transitional shelter for pregnant women	\$185,000
Collette's Children's Home	Direct Service- Transitional Shelter for women and their children	\$105,000
Tustin Family Campus (Prototypes)	Direct Services- Transitional shelter for women with children recovering alcohol and/or drug abuse	\$356,000
Southern California Drug and Alcohol (Heritage House II)	Direct Services- Transitional shelter for women with children recovering alcohol and/or drug abuse	\$130,500
Families Forward	Direct Service- Rapid Rehousing for families	\$166,000
Illumination Foundation	Direct Service- Motel Outreach	\$175,000
VNA Foundation	Direct Service- Motel Outreach	\$190,500
Orange County Rescue Mission	Direct Service- Motel Outreach	\$94,000
Mercy House/Armory Redirection Program	Direct Service- Emergency Shelter	\$450,000
	<b>Total \$2,352,000</b>	