
**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM****SUBJECT:** Shelter Plus Care - Grant Application**DEPARTMENT:** Fiscal Services**DIVISION:** Administration - Fiscal Services**AUTHORIZED BY:** Lisa Spriggs**CONTACT:** Jennifer Bero**EXT:** 7125**MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve to partner with the Homeless Services Network to submit a grant application to the US Department of Housing and Development, requesting \$570,953.00 in funds through their Shelter Plus Care Program.

County-wide

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BACKGROUND:

Through their Shelter Plus Care Program, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development provides funding to link rental assistance and supportive services for reaching hard-to-serve homeless persons. Included are those suffering from various mental or physical disabilities, chronic alcohol or substance abuse conditions, AIDS or related diseases, and their families.

Seminole County partnered with the Homeless Services Network (HSN) in 2005 to pursue the grant for a Rental Assistance Program. Funds were awarded for a 5-year period. Due to the success of the program, HSN seeks to continue the partnership with Seminole County and pursue the Shelter Plus Care grant for an additional \$570,953 to sustain the program another 5 years. All required match funds would be accommodated by HSN through in-kind and cash resources.

As in the past, the County would be the applicant and fiscal agent responsible for managing the grant. Services would be performed by HSN under the terms and conditions detailed in an agreement to be instituted upon notice of grant award. Management of the grant would be handled by the Community Services Department.

An application in pursuit of the grant was submitted by HSN on October 14, 2008. Staff is seeking Board approval to allow for the application to remain in the competition for grant award.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board approve to partner with the Homeless Services Network to submit a grant application to the US Department of Housing and Development, requesting \$570,953.00 in funds through their Shelter Plus Care Program.

Additionally Reviewed By:
No additional reviews