

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2026-0497

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: June 9, 2026

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R, F

Date of Analysis: June 8, 2026

Type of Action: Continuation grant appropriation; Position approval; Grant reallocation authorization; Ordinance Code waiver; Authorization to execute documents

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$3,269,046.69, including \$3,260,738.00 in annual Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and \$8,308.69 in reprogrammed funding, to provide housing assistance and related supportive services to eligible low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families within Duval County, as initiated by B.T. 27-004. The bill authorizes reallocation of HOPWA funds to the next eligible awardee using the same method and criteria normally applied by the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission if a subrecipient is unable or unwilling to accept an award. The bill approves and authorizes the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation Secretary to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to effectuate the purpose of the appropriation. The bill also approves the Program Manager position described in R.C. 27-003, which is fully funded by HOPWA grant dollars and will provide services in support of the HOPWA program. The bill waives Section 106.303, Ordinance Code, to allow modification of the Appropriation of Funds Exhibit to facilitate compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Background Information: The HOPWA program, administered by the Housing and Community Development Division, was established to provide housing assistance and related supportive services to eligible low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. HOPWA funds may be used for the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing units, facility operations, rental assistance, short-term payments to prevent homelessness, and supportive services including assessment and case management, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, nutritional services, job training and placement assistance, and assistance with daily living activities. HOPWA program grant funds must be expended within thirty-six months after HUD signs the grant agreement.

Policy Impact Area: Affordable housing; Public health; Homelessness prevention

Fiscal Impact: No cost to the City. The bill appropriates \$3,269,046.69, including \$3,260,738.00 in annual HOPWA grant funds from HUD and \$8,308.69 in reprogrammed grant funds, as initiated by B.T. 27-004.

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