

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Resolution 2021-327

Sponsor: Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: May 25, 2021

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: May 26, 2021

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$2,601,336 in federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) grant funds to provide funding for housing assistance and related supportive services to eligible low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. It authorizes reallocation of grant funds in the event a sub-recipient is unable or unwilling to accept the funds for an authorized purpose. The bill approves one grant-funded Program Manager position.

Background Information: The Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program provides funding that can be used for a wide range of housing, social services, program planning, and development cost expenditures for eligible persons and their families. Housing assistance may include the acquisition, rehabilitation or new construction of housing units, costs for facility operations, rental assistance, and short-term payments to prevent homelessness. In addition, an essential component to providing housing assistance for this targeted, special needs population is the coordination and delivery of supportive services. Consequently, HOPWA funds may also be used for services that include, but are not limited to, assessment and case management, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, nutritional services, job training and placement assistance, and assistance with daily living activities.

Policy Impact Area: Low-income and persons with HIV housing support

Fiscal Impact: Appropriating \$2,601,336.00

Analyst: Distel