

CALIFORNIA HEALTH FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY (Authority)

**Community Services Infrastructure Grant Program
Resolution Number CSI 2019-08 (First Funding Round)**

**County of Yolo
Information Item**

May 26, 2022

BACKGROUND:

Resolution Number CSI 2019-08, approved by the Authority on July 25, 2019, authorized a Community Services Infrastructure Grant Program (CSI) grant for the County of Yolo (County) in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to add at least 10 beds in a new jail diversion program that would serve up to 20 clients annually, providing housing and treatment space for justice-involved individuals suffering from mental health illness as well as substance use disorders and who are currently experiencing homelessness. Grant funds will be used for facility acquisition, renovation, furnishings and equipment and program startup. The project was scheduled to be open and operational by October 31, 2021.

An amendment to Resolution Number CSI 2019-08 was approved on October 28, 2021, extending the grant period and resolution expiration date to December 31, 2023, with the following milestone conditions: (1) the County shall provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff demonstrating that the project shall be operational on or before June 30, 2023; (2) funds shall not be disbursed if the County is unable to provide evidence acceptable to Authority staff that the project is on track to be operational on or before June 30, 2023; and (3) the County must submit all capital cost disbursement requests, including required supporting documentation, to the Authority no later than September 30, 2023.

ISSUE:

Due to the rising costs of properties, the competitive housing market and the scarcity of properties that would be suitable for the CSI project, the County is requesting to change the project description by decreasing the number of beds from 10 to five and decreasing the number of clients served annually from 20 to 10. The County planned to house the CSI program in two properties, one of which was already county-owned. The County completed renovations on the county-owned property and began community outreach for the second property when both project sites encountered strong community opposition, and the County Board of Supervisors directed the County to seek alternative properties. With the rising housing costs, the grant award amount of \$1,000,000 is no longer sufficient enough to purchase and renovate two properties for the CSI project.

NEW PROPOSED PROJECT:

The proposed project change would allow the County to acquire and renovate a single property, while maintaining the full grant award of \$1,000,000. The County is still committed to adding housing and treatment services to meet the needs of the justice-involved population in their community.

Initial Project		New Project	
Bed Count	Population Served	Bed Count	Population Served
10	20	5	10

NEXT STEPS:

Authority staff is working with the County to collect all required project change description documentation and will utilize the established project change matrix approved by the Authority to determine if the new project meets the intent of the statute, meets the regulations/program requirements, and is feasible and sustainable. Staff will then score it as if it were a new application. If the project description change is warranted, authority staff will bring the project description change recommendation before the board. If staff cannot recommend approval of the project scope/description amendment, authority staff will present an update before the board as an information item.

EXHIBITS:

1. County’s request for project change.



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April 14, 2022

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Re: Request to modify CSI YOLO-01 project description

Dear Ms. Stasko,

In February 2020, we fully executed grant agreement number CSI-YOLO-01 to implement Yolo County's Diversionary Housing Project. The Project was designed to "add at least ten (10) new beds and expand service capacity to approximately twenty (20) clients annually in a new jail diversion program for mental health treatment and substance use disorder treatment services which will be provided to the Target Population as defined in program regulations Section 7413 (r) and (y).

Since then, the County has made efforts to acquire two houses to implement the Project. While initial efforts were delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic as well as leadership changes in our housing partner, we were ultimately able to identify two suitable properties. Regrettably, implementing the Project in those two properties was met with strong community opposition and reluctance from our Board of Supervisors to proceed without more community engagement, thus requiring us to start anew.

After developing more robust community engagement strategies, we reinitiated our property acquisition efforts only to find the housing market had drastically changed. The grant amount for the Project is \$1,000,000 which was sufficient to acquire, renovate and furnish two properties when we applied for the grant three years ago. It is estimated a minimum of \$1,500,000 would be necessary to acquire, renovate and furnish two properties in today's housing market.

As Yolo County is still strongly committed to adding housing and treatment services to meet the needs of our justice-involved population as they endeavor to reintegrate back into their communities, we ask the California Health Facilities Financing Authority to consider maintaining the full funding amount (\$1,000,000) yet allowing us to reduce the Diversionary Housing Project size to add at least five (5) new beds and expand service capacity to approximately ten (10) clients annually.

All other aspects of the project would remain the same and we believe we will still be able to meet the November 30, 2022 readiness deadline and the June 30, 2023 operational deadline with all disbursements requested submitted by September 30, 2023

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (530) 406-5303 or beth.gabor@yolocounty.org.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Beth Gabor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Beth Gabor, Manager of Operations & Strategy
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