



## Staff Report

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**TO:** Chair and Housing Authority Commissioners

**THROUGH:** Steve Powers, Executive Director

**FROM:** Nicole Utz, Administrator

**SUBJECT:**

Application for grant funding from Collins Foundation to hire a case manager for the Homeless Rental Assistance Program

Ward(s): All Wards

Commissioners(s): All Commissioners

Neighborhood(s): All Neighborhoods

Result Area(s): Safe Community; Welcoming and Livable Community

**ISSUE:**

Shall the SHA Commission adopt Resolution No. 2268 to authorize an application for, and acceptance of, a grant up to \$200,000 from The Collins Foundation to provide funding for an outreach, access, and recovery case manager for the Homeless Rental Assistance Program?

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Resolution No. 2268 to authorize an application for, and acceptance of, a grant up to \$200,000 from The Collins Foundation to provide funding for outreach, access, and recovery case manager for the Homeless Rental Assistance Program (HRAP).

**SUMMARY:**

Grant funding will allow the Salem Housing Authority to provide Social Security, Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) case management services to enrolled HRAP clients in the program who need assistance in applying for Social Security or Disability Income.

**FACTS AND FINDINGS:**

The Housing Authority's HRAP serves homeless/unhoused individuals and households within the Salem/Keizer Urban Growth Boundary. These individuals/households are typically chronically homeless, and the majority are considered to possess tri-morbidity.

The opportunity to access Collins Foundation Funding will allow the HRAP team to add a SOAR case manager to assist client with obtaining SSI/SSDI benefits.

Nicole Utz  
Administrator

**Attachments:**

1. Resolution No. 2268
2. The Collins Foundation Grant Application
3. NW Human Services - Letter in Support of Application
4. Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action - Letter in Support of Application