

# STAFF REPORT



ITEM NO. 13  
CITY OF OCEANSIDE

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DATE: February 13, 2008

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Neighborhood Services Department – Housing Division

SUBJECT: **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BASIC CENTER GRANT PROGRAM FOR \$450,000 FOR SERVICES AT THE YMCA PROJECT OZ NORTH COAST HOMELESS AND RUNAWAY YOUTH SHELTER**

## SYNOPSIS

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Basic Center Grant Program for up to \$450,000 over three years for shelter and supportive services provided by the YMCA Oz North Coast for homeless and runaway youth.

## BACKGROUND

In 1992 the City of Oceanside in partnership with the YMCA of San Diego County developed the Project Oz North Coast Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter, located at 215 Barnes Street. Two older buildings were moved onto City-owned land and rehabilitated into a 12-bed facility that provides residential and supportive services for runaway and homeless youth ages 12-17, and family counseling toward reunification. The City contracts with the YMCA of San Diego - Youth and Family Services to operate and manage the Project Oz North Coast Shelter. Funding for the shelter comes from a variety of sources including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds from Oceanside and other cities, private donations, in-kind contributions, and grant funds from the Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Grant Program of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The Basic Center Grant Program – part of the Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) – provides funds to local governments and nonprofit agencies to establish or strengthen community-based shelters that address the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth and their families. The City has successfully applied for this funding four times since 1991; the Neighborhood Services Department – Housing Division provides management and financial oversight of the grant. The YMCA has developed positive collaborative relations with Vista Community Clinic for health services and with Stand Up for Kids for outreach to street youth in the North Coastal San Diego Region.

## **ANALYSIS**

In 2005, the City was awarded a \$300,000, three-year grant from HHS for shelter and supportive services for homeless and runaway youth ages 12-17; this grant ends on September 30, 2008. The City intends to submit an application for \$450,000 of new funding over three years for the operation of the Project Oz North Coast Shelter under the HHS Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Grant Program. HHS requires that the applicant obtain a resolution from the City Council authorizing application for the grant funds and include this in the application package. If awarded the grant funds, the City will contract with the YMCA of San Diego – Youth and Family Services for operation and management of the shelter.

The HHS Administration for Children and Families, which manages the Basic Center Grant Program, made a two-day monitoring visit to Project Oz North Coast in 2004 and found no problems with grant management, administration of the program, or the level and adequacy of services provided. As a result of the monitoring visit, the shelter has been nominated by the HHS Region IX offices for a “Stellar Site” award. The City monitors the shelter program each year as required by the Community Development Block Grant Program and has found no problems with program administration, financial management or services.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The grant application will request \$150,000 for operational costs for the first year; if awarded the City will be eligible to apply for two one-year renewal grants at the same funding level. The maximum amount of funding to be requested over the three-year period is \$450,000. There is a requirement for a local match of ten percent (10%); this will be provided by the value of the buildings provided by the City to the YMCA as an in-kind contribution.

## **COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT**

The program for homeless and runaway youth at Project Oz North Coast was presented to the Housing Commission on January 22, 2008. The Commission voted to recommend that the City Council adopt the resolution authorizing application for grant funds for 2008-2011.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS**

The referenced documents have been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved to as to form.

**RECOMMENDATION**

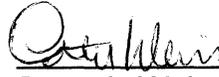
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SUBMITTED BY:



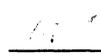
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
2. Housing Commission Action Report

TO: OCEANSIDE CITY COUNCIL  
FROM: HOUSING COMMISSION  
DATE: JANUARY 22, 2008  
RE: APPLICATION FOR OZ YMCA

THE HOUSING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR YMCA OZ. THE APPLICATION IS FOR \$450,000 FUNDING FOR THE EXISTING YOUTH SHELTER.

CAMP	YES
CHRISTY	YES
COOPER	YES
DAVIS	YES
FARMER	YES
HUSKEY	YES
IGO	YES
PARKER	YES
SORENSEN	YES

ALTERNATES

SAIZ	PRESENT ( YES )
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1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
3 OCEANSIDE AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GRANT  
4 FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
5 HUMAN SERVICES FOR A RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS  
6 YOUTH BASIC CENTER PROGRAM

7 WHEREAS, grants for Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Programs are  
8 authorized by the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (Title III of the Juvenile Justice and  
9 Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974), as amended by the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act,  
10 42 U.S.C. sections 5701 through 5752;

11 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Program is  
12 to establish or strengthen community-based centers to address the immediate needs of runaway  
13 and homeless youth and their families;

14 WHEREAS, Basic Center Programs provide runaway and homeless youth with safe and  
15 appropriate shelter; individual, family, and group counseling as appropriate; and aftercare;

16 WHEREAS, the Family and Youth Services Bureau of the United States Department of  
17 Health and Human Services is accepting applications for Basic Center Programs;

18 WHEREAS, the City of Oceanside intends to submit an application for Basic Center  
19 Program grant funds to support the program and activities of the YMCA Project Oz North  
20 Coast; and

21 WHEREAS, said application contains understandings and assurances that the applicant  
22 will comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and/or regulations;

23 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does resolve as follows:

24 SECTION 1. The City of Oceanside is hereby authorized to file an application for  
25 funding under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Basic Center Program.

26 SECTION 2. The City of Oceanside certifies to the understanding of the general  
27 provisions of the agreement.

28 SECTION 3. The City of Oceanside certifies that it has the legal authority to apply for  
the grant.

1 SECTION 4. The City Manager or his designee is appointed as agent of the City to  
2 execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, contracts,  
3 certifications, payment requests and other documents as may be required to receive grant funds  
4 under the Basic Center Program.

5 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oceanside, California,  
6 this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, by the following vote:

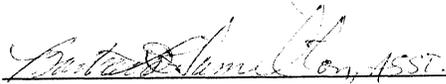
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- 8 AYES:
- 9 NAYS:
- 10 ABSENT:
- 11 ABSTAIN:
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14 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

15 ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

16 \_\_\_\_\_  
17 City Clerk

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19 \_\_\_\_\_  
20 City Attorney