

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

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TO: SBCCOG Steering Committee

FROM: Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG Executive Director
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SUBJECT: Allocation of LACAHSR Renter Protection Funding for Harbor Connects

BACKGROUND

The SBCCOG Board has previously approved 2.55 million dollars of LACAHSR Renter Protection and Homeless Prevention (RPHP) funds to go towards City and Partner Rental Subsidy programs. The Board has also previously approved 2 partners, St Margaret’s Center and WLCAC, to provide these services to our constituents in the South Bay. The SBCCOG would like to add a 3rd partner to provide rental subsidies – Harbor Connects.

Harbor Connects, based out of the San Pedro/Wilmington area, provides resources and linkages for people experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness for the southern area of the South Bay. In addition to assisting those in the CD 15 area of LA City, Harbor Connects has also helped those in other South Bay Cities.

Harbor Connects has been a Client Aid partner for many years and has a great working relationship with the SBCCOG Homeless staff. Because many of their constituents are seeking homeless prevention rental assistance, it is a natural extension of the relationship for Harbor Connects to also provide SBCCOG funding from LACAHSR for rental subsidies for South Bay constituents.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board contract with Harbor Connects for up to \$100,000 of its LACAHSR RPHP Funds to provide rental subsidies for constituents in the South Bay.

Renter Subsidy Funds Current Breakdown:

\$ 950,000	St Margaret’s Center
\$ 950,000	WLCAC
\$ 100,000	Harbor Connects
\$ 550,000	TBD - Other Cities/Partners
\$2,550,000	