AFFORDABLE HOUSING SERVICES

COVID-19 FUNDING



We are proposing solutions that will address the urgent needs around COVID-19 and that support the long-term health of our communities. Families having access to basic housing and shelter helps protect the most vulnerable populations by minimizing their exposure to the virus and effectively manage other chronic illnesses. Currently, housing is unstable for forty percent of the families in Hillsborough County. Recently, communities across this country have responded to the urgent need to ensure everyone has safe shelter during the COVID-19 pandemic which further emphasizes that homes are a crucial foundation for a healthy society. The investments we make in increasing affordable housing units, as well as helping families to maintain or access housing solutions, will create benefits that extend far beyond any individual during this pandemic. The following two initiatives will be recommended for use of the CDBG and ESG COVID-19 funds:

PERMANENT HOUSING WITH AN INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE COMPONENT (CDBG \$4.2M)

- Option 1: Acquisition and rehabilitation of an existing multi-family property (preferred)
- Option 2: Scattered Site Leasing
- Target Population
 - At or below 80% MFI
 - Resident must be suffering from a chronic illness such as Diabetes, Cardiovascular, Hypertension, COPD, etc.

HOUSING STABILIZATION & ACCESSIBILITY (ESG \$2.1M)

- Project Safe Shelter-Provide Hotel rooms for extremely vulnerable populations
- Prevention Services
 - THHI Partner with community agencies to provide support to clients.
- Rapid Rehousing-Increase and expand the current program designed to create access to housing for people emerging out of homelessness.
- Shelter Operations-Provide increased operations support due to the increased demands surrounding COVID-19.

