



It is no secret that the Bay Area is struggling from a Housing Crisis and for foster youth who are aging out of the foster care system, that crisis is exacerbated. Unfortunately, it is all too common that foster kids are not given the necessary tools to succeed on their own and most find themselves living on the streets once the checks dry up for the foster parents. Therefore, Urban Strategies Council is seeking \$700,000 to pilot a Transitional House (T.H.) for Transition Aged Foster Youth who are aging out of the foster care system. The pilot program is a 15 month project beginning March 2022 and culminating May 2023.

The T.H. will house 6 - 8 young people in Vallejo, California and will provide the following services free of charge to residents:

- Mental Health/Substance Use Counseling
- Case Management
- Workforce Readiness
- Financial Literacy
- Independent Living Skills
- Rental Assistance
- Dress for Success Clothing Assistance

The T.H. will employ a 50% FTE Program Manager; 2 full-time and 1 part-time House Manager and 1 FTE Case Manager.

The goal of the T.H. is to remove all the current barriers and distractions that impede young people from achieving their full potential. With the requested funding, Urban Strategies will prepare the residents for a successful life after foster care by providing each resident with weekly Mental Health Counseling, workforce readiness workshops and financial literacy coaching to adequately prepare them to obtain a self-sustaining lifestyle once they depart the residence. In addition to the above mentioned services, the residents will learn how to cook, clean and maintain a clean and sober living environment. A resident has the ability to reside in the home for the entire 15 months; however, they will be free to terminate their residency at any time.

Urban Strategies Council, in collaboration with the non-profit, Passage to Real Life opened a transitional house in Vallejo, California for formerly incarcerated men and

although the number one priority is to provide housing for African Americans, all are welcome and that will be the same philosophy for the TAY Transitional House.

Urban Strategies is constantly seeking funding for housing projects and is the process of researching additional funding from The Center at the Sierra Health Foundation, San Francisco Foundation, and state funding.

How much funding are we requesting? \$700,000. The requested funds will be utilized in the following manner: (see attached detailed budget)

Salaries & Benefits

Consultants

Office Supplies

Postage

Printing/Duplicating

Furniture/Equipment

Travel Stipends

Utilities

Rent

Janitorial/Landscaping

Groceries/Household Supplies

Rental Assistance

Clothing/Hygiene Supplies

Data Collection & Reporting

Indirect Expenses

For additional questions or concerns, feel free to contact Teri Carlyle at 707.235.5704 or teric@urbanstrategies.org

Applicant Organization: Urban Strategies Council

Contract Period:

March 2022 - May 2023

Contract Amount:

\$700,000.00

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Expenditure Items		Approved Project Budget	Description of Expense
I. Personnel Salaries (limited to personnel directly working on this grant)			
Salaries			
1	Executive Director	\$8,250.00	5% FTE for 15 months
2	Program Manager	\$50,000.00	50% FTE for 15 months
3	House Manager	\$203,125.00	2 full time house managers; 1 pt house manager-15months
4	Case Manager	\$81,250.00	1 FTE case manager for 15 months
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Payroll Taxes and Benefits		\$68,525.00	20% of salaries
Consultant Fees			
1	Financial Literacy Coaching	\$15,000.00	
2	Workforce Readiness	\$15,000.00	
3	Mental Health/Substance Use Counselors	\$27,000.00	2 sessions per resident per mth for 6 residents
4		\$0.00	
Total Personnel		\$468,150.00	
II. Other Expenses			
Office Supplies		\$6,500.00	Computers/Desks/Printers
Postage		\$116.00	Postage
Printing/Duplicating		\$1,400.00	Paper/Ink/Printer
Information/Materials		\$0.00	
Equipment		\$20,000.00	Furniture/Linen/Household Supplies
Travel		\$18,000.00	\$200 transportation stipend per month per res
Miscellaneous (List)			
1	UTILITIES	\$15,000.00	\$1k per month- garbage, water, PG&E, cable, internet
2	RENT	\$52,500.00	\$3,500 per month
3	JANITORIAL/LANDSCAPING	\$1,500.00	\$100 per month for landscaping
4	OFFICE FOOD & GOODS	\$11,250.00	\$750 per month for groceries/household supplies
5	RENTAL ASSISTANCE	\$30,000.00	Rental Assistance for 12 residents
6	CLOTHING/HYGIENE	\$6,000.00	\$1,000 Per Resident
Total Other Expenses		\$162,266.00	
III. Direct Admin/Clerical Salaries (up to 5% of total award)*			
1		\$0.00	
2		\$0.00	
3		\$0.00	
4		\$0.00	
5		\$0.00	
Total Direct Admin		\$0.00	
Data Collection and Reporting		\$12,188.65	
Indirect - limited to 10% of grant total		\$57,395.35	
Total Contract Expenses		\$700,000.00	