

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY SIXTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-25-218 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Renée Grout, by request

RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION IN RESPONSE TO ENACTMENT NO. R-2025-060
“ESTABLISHING A CONTINUING SOBRIETY HOUSING VOUCHER PILOT
PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS; DIRECTING
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS TO
DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A PILOT PROGRAM AND REPORT ON
OUTCOMES.”

WHEREAS, City Council enacted R-2025-060 directing the Department of
Health, Housing and Homelessness (HHH) to develop a plan to implement a
pilot program for housing vouchers to support individuals who are
transitioning from rehabs, treatment centers, or detox centers into housing;
and

WHEREAS, Resolution enacted R-2025-060 also provided that HHH include
a provision for funding in the plan; and

WHEREAS, HHH has created such a plan detailed in Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, HHH recommends Fund 201: Opioid Settlement Funds be
utilized to fund the Continuing Sobriety Voucher Program as set forth in
Attachment A.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
ALBUQUERQUE:

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF A PILOT PROGRAM. HHH is hereby
directed to create the Continuing Sobriety Voucher Program (Program) to
initially serve up to twenty-five individuals exiting rehab, detox, or other
substance use treatment programs who meet the criteria set forth in
Attachment A.

1 SECTION 2. TIME PERIOD OF PILOT PROGRAM. Utilizing a rolling admission
2 model, the Pilot Program is designed to provide individuals with twelve (12)
3 months of housing assistance. Upon conclusion of the twelve-month period, at
4 the City's discretion, the participant may request up to an additional six (6)
5 months to maintain the voucher while completing the transition into stable
6 housing.] ~~TIME PERIOD OF PILOT PROGRAM. Utilizing a rolling admission~~

7 ~~model, the Pilot Program is designed to provide individuals with twelve (12)~~
8 ~~months of housing. Upon conclusion of the Sobriety Housing Voucher Pilot~~
9 ~~Program, individuals will be appropriately transitioned into stable housing or~~
10 ~~will remain in Sobriety Housing Voucher Pilot Program until such transitions~~
11 ~~can occur.~~

12 [SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION. Opioid Settlement Funds in the amount of
13 \$1,263,900 are hereby appropriated from Fund 201 to the Department of
14 Health, Housing, and Homelessness for the purpose of establishing and
15 operating the Sobriety Housing Voucher Pilot Program for the duration of the
16 Pilot Program. Funds not used within the time period shall revert to Fund 201.
17 Sobriety Housing Voucher Pilot Program \$1,263,900]

18 ~~SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION. Opioid Settlement Funds in the amount of~~
19 ~~\$842,600 are hereby appropriated from Fund 201 in Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027~~
20 ~~to the Department of Health, Housing, and Homelessness for the purpose of~~
21 ~~establishing and operating the Sobriety Housing Voucher Pilot Program for~~
22 ~~the duration of the Pilot Program.~~

23 ~~Sobriety Housing Voucher Pilot Program~~ ~~_____~~ ~~\$842,600~~

24 SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, paragraph, sentence,
25 clause, word or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid
26 or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall
27 not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Resolution. The
28 Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution and each
29 section, paragraph, sentence, clause, word or phase thereof irrespective of
30 any provision being declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid.