

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY-FIRST COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-14-135 ENACTMENT NO. _____

SPONSORED BY: Isaac Benton, Brad Winter

1 RESOLUTION
2 DESIGNATING FISCAL YEAR 2015 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR
3 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES;
4 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO SOCIAL SERVICES
5 AGREEMENTS WITH THE NEW MEXICO SUPPORTIVE HOUSING COALITION
6 AND ALBUQUERQUE HEALTH CARE FOR THE HOMELESS; AUTHORIZING
7 THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH
8 BERNALILLO COUNTY TO COORDINATE HOUSING AND CASE
9 MANAGEMENT SERVICES; AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY
10 AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
11 ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO ASSIST ALBUQUERQUE RESIDENTS WITH
12 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS.

13 WHEREAS, the City Council appropriated funds in C/S R-14-47 for Fiscal
14 Year 2015 to provide case management and other supportive services for
15 homeless persons; and

16 WHEREAS, there remains a balance of \$1,125,000 within this appropriation;
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18 WHEREAS, the City Council unanimously approved F/S R-14-73 wherein
19 the Council committed to a collaborative effort with the County of Bernalillo to
20 improve services for persons who are being released from the Metropolitan
21 Detention Center and are homeless and experiencing mental health issues;
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23 WHEREAS, the City Council unanimously approved M-14-5, creating a Task
24 Force to discuss funding opportunities and to propose recommendations to
25 address the issues surrounding and concerning mental health issues; and

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1 WHEREAS, the City Council unanimously approved F/S R-14-55
2 commissioning a study to assess the gaps in City, County and State funding
3 for mental health services; and

4 WHEREAS, the Behavioral Health Task Force evaluated areas of critical
5 needs to address the behavioral health crisis and prioritized a crisis
6 stabilization center, intensive case management and supportive housing as
7 the most urgent of issues; and

8 WHEREAS, the Gaps Analysis conducted by the University of New
9 Mexico/Center for Education Policy Research estimated that 151,000 residents
10 of Bernalillo County have mental illness and/or substance use disorders and
11 could benefit from treatment, yet there are few agencies providing the more
12 intensive levels of treatment needed.

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

15 Section 1. That those funds in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand
16 Dollars (\$500,000) previously appropriated in C/S R-14-47, Exhibit A
17 “Supportive Services to the Homeless/to be determined” are hereby
18 designated to implement a program to assist persons being discharged from
19 the Metropolitan Detention Center who are homeless and mentally ill as
20 follows: \$100,000 for intensive case management and related services,
21 \$336,000 for supportive housing services and \$64,000 for a Project
22 Coordinator.

23 Section 2. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a Social Services
24 Agreement with Albuquerque Healthcare for the Homeless in the amount of
25 \$100,000 for intensive case management services and a Social Services
26 Agreement with the New Mexico Supportive Housing Coalition in the amount
27 of \$336,000 for supportive housing services; and

28 Section 3. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental
29 Agreement with Bernalillo County to create a collaborative partnership
30 defining the roles and responsibilities of each party, the City and the County,
31 in effectively serving those persons who are being released from incarceration
32 and can be successfully transitioned into the community with the services
33 designated in Section 1 of this resolution.

1 Section 4. That the Department of Family and Community Services shall
2 release a Request for Proposals, the total amount up to \$625,000, to solicit
3 responses to provide the services determined to be in the most critical areas
4 of need as prioritized by the Behavioral Health Task Force: A crisis
5 stabilization center, intensive case management and supportive housing
6 services.

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