



# COVID-19 Incident Command Updates

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CITY OF PHOENIX

POLICY SESSION

APRIL 21, 2020



# Topical Areas

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- Convention Center Warehousing
- Public Meetings
- Police Academy
- Testing First Responders
- Reopening Strategy

# Convention Center Warehousing



# Public Meetings



Ordinance Sections: 605.B.3  
Applicant: Lori Shuman, Tuff Shed, Inc.

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Representative: Lori Shuman, Tuff Shed, Inc.  
Owner: Ginger Keska

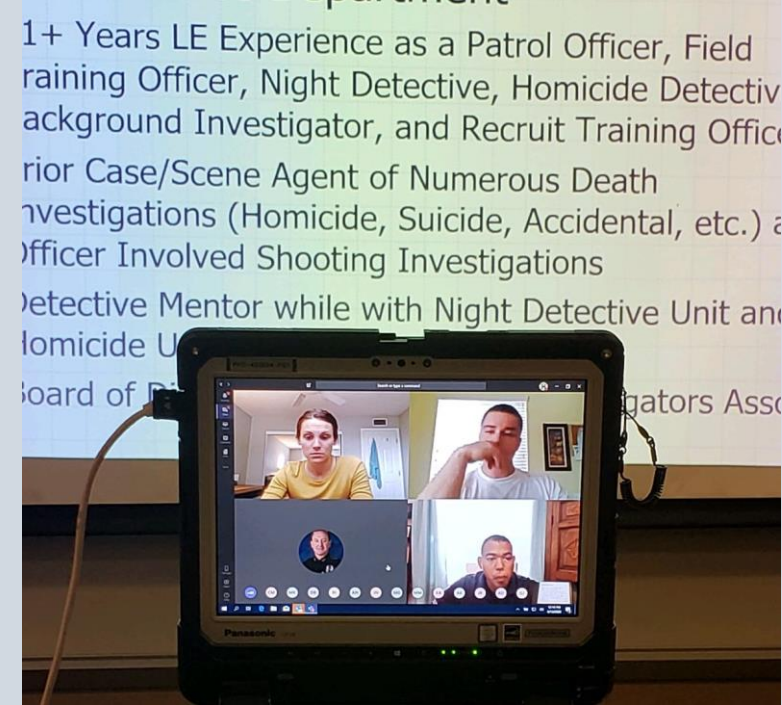
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March 24, 2020

# Police Academy Training

- Piloting remote learning
- 2 week trial then reassess
- Teaching burglary reporting
- Homicide investigation
- Even after return, will work in smaller groups





# Testing First Responders

## ASU Biodesign Offer:

- Universal COVID 19 testing for 1<sup>st</sup> Responders
  - Would determine if person has live virus in them
  - Voluntary not mandatory
  - Includes asymptomatic people
- Would be done at ASU lab
- 1<sup>st</sup> responders would go on their off time
- Offer has support of both Chiefs and all 3 labor organizations
- At no cost to the City
- Can begin as soon as details are worked out



# Testing First Responders

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ASU Biodesign: Testing of high risk work group offers insights into penetration of broader community.



# Reopening Strategy

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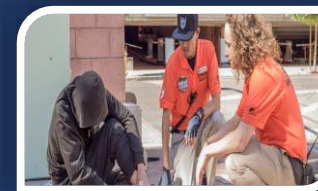
- Begun preliminary discussion with departments
- Established 13 member work group to manage coordination
- Issued Reopening Guidelines
- Process not a single event
- Prioritized implementation triggered by Council direction
- Space redesign, reception areas, social interactions, extended teleworking feasibility



# Questions!

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# City of Phoenix CARES Act Funding & Homelessness Response Plan During COVID-19



# COVID-19 Housing and Urban Development Federal Funding Sources

• Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)	\$ 4,900,000
• Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	\$ 9,800,000
• Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)	\$ 440,505
• Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program	\$ 10,300,000
• Public Housing Program	<u>\$ 1,250,000</u>
	\$ 26,690,505



# COVID-19 Homelessness Plan

- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) \$ 4,900,000
  - Community Development Block Grant \$ 4,000,000
- \$ 8,900,000



# Homelessness Overview

- The number of unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness in Phoenix increased by 18% in 2020
- There are currently 2,380 unsheltered homeless individuals in Phoenix
- The City of Phoenix currently invests over \$20M annually



# Other COVID-19 Response

- Maricopa County

- County lots made available to appropriately distance individuals
- Securing temporary locations for vulnerable populations
- Securing temporary hotels for confirmed positive cases

- Circle the City

- Created 48 additional beds for individuals under investigation
- Created 10 beds for individuals confirmed positive, with ability to expand



# Proposed Homeless Populations

- Vulnerable/At Risk Individuals (Seniors)
- Families
- Single Women
- Single Men
- Youth



# Homeless Interventions

- Emergency Shelter
- Rapid Rehousing
- Permanent Supportive Housing (Section 8)
- Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH)



# Proposed Populations Interventions

## Vulnerable/At Risk Individuals (Seniors)

<p><i>Emergency Shelter (Hotel)</i> 100 Individuals</p>	<p>Security Laundry Case Management (Health Professional) Meals</p>	<p>\$ 2,936,000</p>
<p><i>Rapid Rehousing</i> 60 Individuals</p>	<p>Move in Deposit Utility Deposit Long Term Rental/Utility Assistance Case Management Services</p>	<p>\$ 540,000</p>
<p><i>Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program*</i></p>	<p>Federal Utility Bill Assistance</p>	
<p><i>Permanent Support Housing</i> 40 Individuals</p>	<p>Affordable Housing Vouchers</p>	<p>\$ 80,000</p>

**\$ 3,556,000**

\*Leveraged Monies (\$320,000)



# Proposed Populations Interventions

## Families

*Emergency Shelter Expansion*  
100 Families

25 New Beds

\$ 750,000

*Rapid Rehousing*  
100 Additional Families

Move in Deposit  
Utility Deposit  
Long Term Rental/Utility Assistance  
Case Management Services

\$ 1,350,000

*Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program\**

Federal Utility  
Bill Assistance

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\$ 2,100,000

\*Leveraged Monies (\$160,000)



# Proposed Populations Interventions

## Single Women

<p><i>Rapid Rehousing</i> 200 Women</p>	<p>Move in Deposit Utility Deposit Long Term Rental/Utility Assistance Case Management Services</p>	<p>\$ 1,800,000</p>
<p><i>Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program*</i></p>	<p>Federal Utility Bill Assistance</p>	
<p><i>VASH Vouchers</i> 10 Additional Women</p>	<p>Vouchers for Homeless Vets</p>	<p>\$ 20,000</p>
<p><i>Permanent Supportive Housing</i> 5 Women</p>	<p>Affordable Housing Vouchers</p>	<p>\$ 10,000</p>

**\$ 1,830,000**

\*Leveraged Monies (\$320,000)



# Proposed Populations Interventions

## Single Men

<p><i>Rapid Rehousing</i> 200 Men</p>	<p>Move in Deposit Utility Deposit Long Term Rental/Utility Assistance Case Management Services</p>	<p>\$ 1,800,000</p>
<p><i>Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program*</i></p>	<p>Federal Utility Bill Assistance</p>	
<p><i>VASH Vouchers</i> 40 Additional Men</p>	<p>Vouchers for Homeless Vets</p>	<p>\$ 80,000</p>
<p><i>Permanent Supportive Housing</i> 5 Additional Men</p>	<p>Affordable Housing Vouchers</p>	<p>\$ 10,000</p>
		<p><b>\$ 1,890,000</b></p>

\*Leveraged Monies (\$320,000)



# Proposed Populations Interventions

## Youth

*Case Management &  
Janitorial Services*

\$ 80,000

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\$ 80,000



# Proposed Populations Interventions

## Summary

<i>Families</i>	200 Families
<i>Single Women</i>	210 Women
<i>Single Men</i>	245 Men
<i>Vulnerable Adults</i>	100 Individuals
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200 Families  
555 Individuals

**\$8.9M of CDBG/ESG**

**Total Homelessness Plan Cost– \$9.4M**



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• Public Housing Program	\$ 1,250,000
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	\$ 11,990,505



# Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS

## \$440,505 for HOPWA Program

Using existing contracts to provide:

- Tenant Based Rental Assistance \$340,505
- Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance \$100,000

Currently Served

1,073

New Clients

138



# Public Housing

## Est. \$1.25m for Public Housing Operating Costs

Provides funding for:

- Additional operating support to compensate for loss of rental revenue
- Personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, & biohazard clean ups



# Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

## Estimated \$10.3m for Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

- Administrative costs associated with COVID-19 \$ 700,000
- Increased Housing Assistance Payments \$9,600,000



# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) COVID-19

- To prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19
- Expenditure Deadline is September 2022
- Must follow all Environmental, Labor Standards, Fair Housing and Nondiscrimination laws
- Can request waivers for other standard CDBG requirements
- Must incorporate funding into CDBG Plans



# Remaining CDBG COVID-19 Funding Sources

## Community Development Block Grants

• Microenterprise Grants and/or Loans	\$2,000,000
• Non-Profit Grants and/or Loans	\$2,000,000
• Low- and Moderate-Income Residents Shelter in Place	\$1,000,000
• Planning, Capacity Building, and Technical Assistance	\$ 800,000
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	\$5,800,000



# Microenterprise Grants and Loans

## \$2,000,000 for Microenterprise Grants and/or Loans

- Microenterprise is defined as having five or fewer employees
- Funding for lost revenue, providing services or goods, or to update business models
- Administer through non-profit partner
- More accessible than other small business assistance funding
- Fund at least 200 local microenterprises



# Non-Profit Grants and Loans

## **\$2,000,000 for Non-Profit Grants and/or Loans**

- Provide goods or services related to COVID-19
- Provide existing community needs in a new way
- Use modified Public Service/Public Facility RFP process
- Community Development Review Committee
- Fund at least 40 local non-profit organizations



# Support Low to Moderate Income (LMI) Residents Shelter in Place

## **\$1,000,000 Support LMI Residents Shelter in Place**

- Partnership with non-profit provider
- Rehab services for private residential properties
- An estimated 100 LMI household would be served



# Planning, Capacity Building, and Technical Assistance

## \$800,000 for Technical Assistance

- Can be used to gather data and develop non-project specific response plans



# CDBG Next Steps

- Request Waivers
- Amend Citizen Participation Plan
- Complete Public Comment Period and Hearing
- Substantially Amend the 2019 Annual Action Plan
- Complete 2020-25 Consolidated Plan (CDBG/ESG/HOME/HOPWA)



# Recommendation For Approval of Homelessness Plan

- Seek Council approval for a COVID-19 Homelessness Plan utilizing the following funding:
  - \$4,900,000 Emergency Solutions Grant
  - \$4,000,000 Community Development Block Grant

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\$8,900,000



# Recommendation For Approval of Remaining Funding

- Seek Council authorization to approve the remaining COVID-19 Funding and uses as presented:
  - \$5,800,000 Million Community Development Block Grant
    - Non-Profit Grants and/or Loans
    - Microenterprise Grants and/or Loans
    - Low- and Moderate-Income Residents Social Distancing
    - Planning, Capacity Building, and Technical Assistance
  - \$11,990,505 Housing and Urban Development Funds
    - Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)
    - Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program
    - Public Housing Program

