

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners  
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20020168

**1. REQUESTED MOTION:**

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Approve applications for the 2002 Homeless Grant from the State of Florida Office on Homelessness; authorize Board Chairman to sign letters of application and certification letters certifying that the application activities are consistent with Lee County's 2001 Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Homeless Continuum of Care Strategic Plan; also, authorize the Board Chairman to sign State Agreements and Sub-recipient provider contracts.

**WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:** The State Office on Homelessness requires that the Department of Human Services as designated Lead Agency for the HUD Homeless Continuum of Care submit all applications for the Homeless Housing Assistance grant and the Homeless Continuum of Care Challenge Grants. Board authorization is required to submit applications.

**WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:** It is anticipated that the Salvation Army will make application for the Housing Assistance and Challenge Grants and Southwest Florida Addiction Services will apply for the Housing Assistance Grant. If awarded this will bring to Lee County housing and services for the homeless.

**2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY: 05  
COMMISSION DISTRICT # CW**

C5B

**3. MEETING DATE:**

02-26-2002

**4. AGENDA:**

- CONSENT**
- ADMINISTRATIVE**
- APPEALS**
- PUBLIC**
- WALK ON**
- TIME REQUIRED:**

**5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:**  
(Specify)

- STATUTE**
- ORDINANCE**
- ADMIN.**
- CODE**
- OTHER**

**6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:**

- A. COMMISSIONER**
- B. DEPARTMENT** Human Services
- C. DIVISION**

**BY:** Karen B. Hawes

**7. BACKGROUND:**

The State of Florida Office of Homelessness announced on January 8, 2002 that \$250,000 challenge grants funds and \$750,000 for housing assistance grants were available. Final application instructions were not received until January 23, 2002. The grant is very restrictive in that all funds must be expended by June 30, 2002. The Department coordinated with various not for profit providers to apply for grant funds. The deadline for the application for Homeless Challenge grant funds is March 4, 2002 and the deadline for the Housing Assistance Grant is March 19, 2002.

In the past legislative session the State Office of Homelessness was created and these funds were allocated. However, the delay in the State developing the application procedures was due to the State budget crisis and possible re allocation of these funds.

**8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:**

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services				G County Manager
<u>Karen Hawes</u>	N/A	N/A		<u>Andrea</u>	OA	OM	Risk	GC	<u>Bl</u>
				<u>Trace</u>	<u>RK/14</u>	<u>1/14/02</u>	<u>2/14</u>	<u>2/14/02</u>	

**10. COMMISSION ACTION:**

- APPROVED**
- DENIED**
- DEFERRED**
- OTHER**

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by CO. ATTY.  
2/13/02  
3:45 pm  
CO. ATTY.  
FORWARDED TO:  
ADMIN  
2/13/02 4:00 PM

RECEIVED BY  
COUNTY ADMIN.  
2/13/02  
4:25 pm  
2/14 3:30