HOMELESS COORDINATING COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM
Executive Summary

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SUBJECT: **Housing Focused Shelter for Families Experiencing Homelessness**

SUBMITTED BY: **Housing and Community Development (HCD) Staff**

SUMMARY:
The Road Home has requested $1 Million, one-time funding from the Homeless Coordinating Committee through the Homeless to Housing Account for the continued support of the Family Relocation Project.

In July, 2017 a significant shift in the operation of emergency shelter for families began. Families were moved out of the Downtown Community Shelter and are now provided shelter through motel stays and at the Midvale Family Shelter.

At the end of October there were approximately 66 families in motel rooms. To date, The Road Home has provided 166 families with motel stays. HCD recognizes the need for increased resources to support families in a housing focused model and would like to further develop a housing focused shelter model with The Road Home and other community partners. Therefore, we recommend the following motion and contingencies for consideration:

1. The Homeless Coordinating Committee allow HCD the flexibility to award $1 million to community partners for this purpose with the following contingencies:
    a. Further development of a housing focused family shelter and housing plan will take place with The Road Home, HCD and other community partners;
    b. The Road Home will provide reconciliation of prior expenses for family services at the Downtown Community Shelter, including how expenses related to the family services have been repurposed into the new model;
    c. The Rode Home will provide an analysis regarding return on investment for increased staff; and
    d. The housing focused shelter model for families will outline and consider how families will be held accountable for completing the pathway of accessing shelter to housing.