

STATE HOMELESS COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SHCC)

Agenda Item - Executive Summary

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	Information

MEETING DATE: August 8, 2018

SUBJECT: Lantern House – Saint Anne’s

SUBMITTED BY: Housing and Community Development (HCD) Staff

SUMMARY:

Lantern House is seeking \$125,000 funding for a portion of wages and benefits for 12 full-time and one part-time “Facilities and Clients” (FAC) employees. These employees are trained as case managers in working directly with clients and provide services 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Duties include, but are not limited to: data collection, monitoring entry and exit, distribute meals and essential items. They ensure safety and security of facilities staff, clients and the community on campus.

This request was not included in the April grant applications for homelessness funding as the organization was not aware that funding could be used for this purpose. Additionally, the organization was unaware of the funding gap due to changes in staffing and leadership. The cost for FAC staffing has increased in the last two years due to increased shelter capacity – moving from a 100 to a 300 bed facility. This is an on-going expense that has typically been paid for from private donations, however, these donations have decreased in the last year furthering the deficiency in funding for this critical staffing need.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

HCD staff recommend funding \$125,000 from the Homeless to Housing, Shelter Operations.