

CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor Robert M. Restaino
DATE: July 6, 2022
RE: **City Council Agenda Item:**
Amendment to Catholic Charities CARES-ESG Grant

Council Members:

In 2020, Council approved a grant of \$448,590.00 of CDBG CARES Act ESG funds to Catholic Charities for rapid rehousing and homeless prevention. Rapid rehousing funds are used to assist homeless families or individuals living in a shelter to find permanent housing. Homeless prevention funds are used to prevent a family or individual from moving into a shelter by stabilizing a current rental situation. The application of Catholic Charities specified to portions of the grant to be used for each category.

Due to the eviction moratorium, there was a decreased need for prevention funds. With the expiration of the moratorium, there is a greater need for prevention funds.

Catholic Charities has requested a re-allocation of \$135,000.00 from rapid rehousing to homeless prevention to meet this greater need.

Will the Council vote to approve the re-allocation of \$135,000.00 of the original grant from rapid rehousing to homeless prevention as presented herein and to authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the same?

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Restaino, Mayor

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