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County Receiving \$14.6M HUD Renewal Grant to Combat Homelessness

PITTSBURGH – Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald announced today that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded a \$14.6 million Continuum of Care grant to the county’s Department of Human Services (DHS) to renew programs that assist with the reduction of homelessness.

“We continue to remain committed to reducing homelessness in Allegheny County, and the Continuum of Care grant provides the financial support that allows us to continue those efforts,” said Fitzgerald. “With this funding, we can continue to offer financial assistance for 59 different programs that provide necessary help for those who face complex housing issues.”

The programs funded by the grant represent 30 different agencies that provide housing and vital services to homeless individuals and families throughout Allegheny County. DHS will administer the grant funds to the agencies, provide fiscal and operational oversight, and monitor service provision through regular site visits.

“The annual support provided by HUD allows us to continually make service improvements and expand the assistance that is available for individuals and families experiencing homelessness,” said DHS Director Marc Cherna. “There is strong, national competition for this funding. This funding award is a recognition of the effectiveness of our efforts, and an acknowledgement of the great work by the agencies and individuals who are responsible for carrying it out.”

The grant is awarded by HUD through a competitive process and is the first part of a multi-tier grant. It will help renew existing programs that provide supportive services, safe havens, transitional housing, and permanent housing for persons with disabilities. Additional funds will be considered and awarded in the near future.

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