

**RESOLUTION NO. 86-23**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,  
CALIFORNIA ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION  
FUNDING ROUND 2 AWARD**

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**WHEREAS**, under the authority of Chapter 7 of Part 1 of Division 31 of the California Health and Safety Code (sections 50250 et seq.), the Encampment Resolution Funding (ERF) Program was established to increase collaboration between the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (CAL ICH), local jurisdictions, and continuums of care; and

**WHEREAS**, the ERF Program was initially authorized in 2021 through Assembly Bill (AB) 140 (Chapter 111, Statutes of 2021), which allocated \$50 million for what would become the first round of funding. SB 197 (Chapter 70, Statutes of 2022) amended the program and AB 178 (Chapter 45, Statutes of 2022) allocated an additional \$300 million for Round 2 of ERF funding; and

**WHEREAS**, ERF Program activities must comply with Housing First and Homeless Data Integration System (HDIS) data submission requirements. Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 8256, all recipients of ERF funding shall comply with the core components of Housing First, as defined in WIC section 8255; and

**WHEREAS**, ERF-R-2 grant recipients must participate in the statewide HDIS by entering data and information regarding individuals served by this funding, and services and housing options provided, into their local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS); and

**WHEREAS**, in February 2023, the City submitted an application for ERF Round 2 (ERF-R-2) funds seeking resources to support cross-systems collaboration and service strategies to help people experiencing homelessness at various encampments throughout the City to transition toward safe and stable housing pathways; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's project proposal will assist in implementing short-term actions steps identified in the City of Richmond Homelessness Strategic Plan (adopted May 2023) specifically action steps 1.4 Expand case management and other care-related individualized services directly in encampments to build connections for unsheltered individuals to have access to an expanded array of opportunities and resources for personal development, wellness and health, financial means to secure and sustain housing, and ongoing supports for long-term stabilization; and, 3.1 Establish a flexible fund for financial assistance for diversion and housing focused problem solving, including time limited or one-off expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond's proposal was awarded \$8,602,587 in ERF-R-2 program funds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the City Council of the City of Richmond authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute a standard agreement and request for funds form, and all other documents required by the Interagency Council on Homelessness, and any amendments thereto and accepts and appropriates the ERF-R-2 funds to the FY23/24 budget through FY25/26.

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held on September 12, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bana, Jimenez, Robinson, Zepeda, Vice Mayor McLaughlin, and Mayor Martinez.  
NOES: None.  
ABSTENTIONS: None.  
ABSENT: Councilmember Willis.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN  
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND  
(SEAL)

Approved:

EDUARDO MARTINEZ  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

DAVE ALESHIRE  
City Attorney

State of California            }  
County of Contra Costa        }        : ss.  
City of Richmond               }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 86-23**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on September 12, 2023.

**Certified as a True Copy**

PAMELA CHRISTIAN  
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA

BY *Dabrina Lundy*  
ASSISTANT