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# City's COVID-19 Response: Emergency Rental Assistance Program

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# Treasury Department Emergency Rental Assistance

## State Program Funds

Allocated to:	Funding
San José	\$33.11M
Santa Clara County	\$39.35M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$62.46M</b>

## Local Direct Funds

Distributed to:	Funding
San José	\$30.38M
Santa Clara County	\$26.9M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$57.28M</b>

# 2021 Policy & Program Priorities



## Who to Prioritize

- Extremely low-income households (30% of AMI or less)
  - Households at risk of displacement when eviction protections end

## Program Design

- Partner with trusted community partners for outreach, intake, and case management to help reach the most vulnerable and hardest to reach
- Outreach to zip codes with the highest rates of COVID-19 cases and/or job loss
- Simple, easy to use application forms
- Simplified payment systems
- Meet federal requirements and prevent duplication

# State/Local Coordination

## State Program Focus in SJ/SC County

### Landlords

- Priority for tenants <50% AMI
- Phase 2: up to 80% AMI

### Tenants

- Have lease or rental agreement
- Refer those without lease who are below 30% AMI to Local Program

### Data Sharing

- Data sharing and dashboards

**Launched March 15<sup>th</sup>**

## Local Program Focus

### Landlords

- Refer to State program

### Tenants

- Below 30% AMI, and
- Lack a lease/rental agreement

### Outreach

- ELI Households via trusted partners
- Connect ARO units, mobile homeowners & park owners, deed-restricted affordable units with State

**Launching mid-to-late April**



**INVEST**



**EMPOWER**



**PARTNER**

# Today's Action

## Recommendation

1. Accept the staff report
2. Adopt the resolution
  - a) Accepting the federal funds
  - b) Authorizing City Manager to negotiate and execute agreements with Sacred Heart Community Service, Santa Clara County, and the State of California
3. Take budget actions



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