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TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: General Fund Contingency request of \$250,000 to assist the capital fundraising campaign for Project Network (Budget Modification NOND-10)

District 2 is requesting \$250,000 of General Fund contingency be appropriated to support the capital fundraising campaign for Project Network.

Project Network is a partnership between LifeWorks NW, Home Forward (formerly Housing Authority of Portland) and Gerding Edlen, to develop a new facility that supports best practices and enhances health outcomes while providing residential drug and alcohol treatment to African American women and their children in the NE Portland community.

The new facility will be built alongside new permanent supportive housing (PSH). The treatment facility will include 36 beds in 2 and 3 bedroom units to be owned and operated by LifeWorks NW. The PSH units, anticipated to include 32 one-, two-, three-bedroom apartments, will be owned and operated by Home Forward and supported with public housing operating subsidy.

General Fund Contingency Policy Compliance

The Budget Office is required to inform the Board if contingency requests submitted for approval satisfy the guidelines for using the General Fund Contingency.

In particular,

- Criteria 1 states contingency requests should be for one-time-only purposes.

Funding for the Project Network has been requested as a one-time-only

- Criteria 2 addresses emergencies and unanticipated situations.

This is not an unanticipated situation; however, at the time the FY 2012 budget was being discussed, Project Network had not secured enough funding to warrant a request to the County.

- Criteria 3 addresses items identified in Board Budget Notes.

This item was not identified in the Budget Notes.