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DATE: June 4, 2024
TO: Boulder County Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Kelly Gonzalez, Housing Choice Voucher Program Manager
Boulder County Housing Authority
RE: Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) - Foster Youth to Independence (FYI)
Grant Application

Request

The Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA) in partnership with Boulder County Human Services (BCHS) is requesting approval to apply for the Foster Youth to Independence Grant in the amount of \$460,899. These funds will support 25 FYI Housing Choice Vouchers to be provided to eligible transition age youth in Boulder County and operating costs to support these vouchers.

Background

In 2019, HUD established the Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) initiative, qualified agencies were able to apply in 2021 and 2022. BCHA has been operating a Family Unification Program (FUP) for the past 14 years and the criteria for FYI youth are the same as FUP youth criteria, during previous funding opportunities BCHA was able to meet the needs of the youth in the area with the current FUP program and did not see a need to apply specifically for FYI vouchers.

Proposal

BCHA would like to request approval to submit an application to HUD to apply for the FYI program. Applications are due June 17.