

February 9. 2021

Cassy Westmoreland Office of Homeless Initiatives 1313 Sherman St. Rm. 320 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Ms. Westmoreland,

The City of Craig has had a concern for some time regarding the state of homelessness in our community because of many factors including the pandemic, mental health, drug related and criminal related activities and financial destitution. The City supports Housing First Alliance of Craig (HFAC) via HomewardBound of Grand Valley's application for funding through the Office of Homeless Initiative's Emergency Solutions Grant-CV2. In this process the City would want to have some input on the location of the facility(s) as this effort progresses. We understand that the grant dollars being requested will be used to provide the first ever emergency homeless shelter in Craig to support our local homeless population. Moffat County features a highly rural population with underdeveloped housing resources and a significant housing crisis.

HomewardBound of Grand Valley, Inc. will be the fiscal agent for this grant. Housing First Alliance of Craig plans to use HBGV's logo, name, policies, and procedures to professionally incorporate a long-standing, successful organization into Moffat County.

Housing First Alliance of Craig plans to collaborate with other agencies in Craig that are dedicated to providing supportive services, mental health treatment, substance use treatment, and education. HFAC strives to build its relationship with the community to decrease the number of nights people experiencing homelessness spend unsheltered and decrease the economic and social impact of homelessness on our first responders.

The City is excited about this project, which will create a safe environment for people experiencing homelessness. We are impressed with their work on community partnerships and will engage in activities alongside them.

The City of Craig welcomes and strongly supports Housing First Alliance of Craig through HomewardBound of Grand Valley's application, knowing that this funding will provide much needed emergency shelter to Moffat County's homeless population.

Sincerely,

Jarrod Ogden Mayor of Craig, Colorado



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FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

RECEIVING ESG FUNDS FROM STATE SUBRECIPIENTS

I, _____ (name and title), duly authorized to

act on behalf of the _____ (name of jurisdiction), hereby approve the

following emergency shelter activities proposed by Housing First Alliance of Craig via

HomewardBound of Grand Valley, which are to be located in

_____(name(s) of jurisdiction(s)):

By:

Signature and Date

Typed or Written Name of Signatory Local Official

Title