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Information/Review/Discussion Item :

Consider adding a supplemental position at each school (twelve total) for a 'Success Coach' to be paid out of Homeless ARP-HCY Grant funding.

Applicable Statue(s), Regulation(s), Board Policy/Procedure(s) and/or Consolidated Plan Activity:

Board policies 03.221 and 03.2332

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:

Monies for these positions are available through the American Relief Plan ARP-HCY Grant Funding designated specifically for services to students identified as homeless.

History/Background:

The McKinney-Vento definition of Homeless means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This includes children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reasons; are living in motels, hotels, or camp grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals. In 2021-22, Floyd County had 244 students identified as homeless. 89% of those students were in the category of shared housing or doubled up.

Floyd County has been awarded \$109,609 through the American Relief Plan ARP-HCY to provide wrap-around services to students experiencing homelessness. Funds in this grant must be spent by September 30, 2024. The twelve Success Coach positions will be supplemental positions, one located at each school. These positions will be filled by a teacher or certified employee in the building and extra hours (2 per week) will be paid to provide academic support to students, to do weekly check-ins by text or other platforms, and to provide weekly certificates or other incentives to promote attendance and good grades (funds will be available for these incentives). Students will be assigned to the Success Coach at the school and the program will be evaluated quarterly.

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