FY 2023-2024 BUDGET QUESTION

Response to Request for Information

DEPARTMENT(S): Housing Department

CBQ NO.: 026

REQUESTED BY: Vela

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REQUEST: How much money is allocated for rental assistance in this year's budget? Is it a decrease from the 8 million dollars allocated to the housing rental assistance program in FY23? This question refers specifically to the housing rental assistance program, not the emergency rental assistance program.

RESPONSE:

In the FY 2022-23 budget, a total of \$8 million in one-time funding (\$3 million for housing rental assistance program and \$5 million for emergency rental assistance) was committed to rental assistance. At their July 20,2023 meeting, City Council approved a \$7.8 million contract to El Buen Samaritano to administer rental assistance through the I Belong in Austin program. There is currently no funding allocated for this program in the FY 2023-24 budget.