



ROUTT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA COMMUNICATION FORM

ITEM DATE: 5/28/2019	ITEM TIME:

FROM:	Kelly Keith DHS
TODAY'S DATE:	5/20/2019
AGENDA TITLE:	TANF Allocation Spending

CHECK ONE THAT APPLIES TO YOUR ITEM:
<input type="checkbox"/> ACTION ITEM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DIRECTION
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION

I. DESCRIBE THE REQUEST OR ISSUE:
DHS is set to have TANF allocation that will be reverted back if we do not spend it. We have the option to give TANF funds to qualifying partner agencies and programs.

II. RECOMMENDED ACTION (motion):
Discuss options of programs to give the TANF funds to as well as discuss best approaches in the future.

III. DESCRIBE FISCAL IMPACTS (VARIATION TO BUDGET):
PROPOSED REVENUE (if applicable): \$ 280,651.08
CURRENT BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$ 280,651.08
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE: \$ 67,000
FUNDING SOURCE: TANF Allocation
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET NEEDED: YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Each county receives a TANF allocation that pays for Basic Cash Assistance for families. Funds can also be used for workforce improvement and efforts to increase self-sufficiency. The county pays \$34,554.12 a year for the MOE of this full amount.

IV. IMPACTS OF A REGIONAL NATURE OR ON OTHER JURISDICTIONS (IDENTIFY ANY COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS ITEM):
This can help the community partners and keeps the TANF funds in Routt. If they are reverted they go back to the state for division to other counties.



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V. BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

TANF funds have historically gone to Routt to Work and Fatherhood programs. Funds were also used to supplement CCCAP over expenditures. Counties can keep 40% of their allocation in reserves. After the reserve is met funds are reverted if not spent. The county still needs to pay the full MOE.

I would like to find a solution to revert little or no TANF this year, and to put into the budget for next year an amount to give out of TANF. I would create an appropriate approach to how the funds are requested and distributed.

Currently we have First Impressions and the Collaborative Management Program that give out funds similar to the approach I would like to take with TANF. CMP recently changed to not allowing funding for certain programs that could benefit from TANF. I would like to consider still supporting these programs if they are TANF eligible to receive funding.

VI. LEGAL ISSUES:

Compliance with federal funding would be important, so in to funding contract with would be made clear.

VII. CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

N/A

VIII. SUMMARY AND OTHER OPTIONS:

Do not give the money out, sell to get the MOE back, give funds to different agencies.