

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date:	June 17, 2024
Action Required:	Approve the appropriation
Presenter:	Laura Morris, Interim Director of Social Services
Staff Contacts:	Laura Morris, Interim Director of Social Services
Title:	Resolution appropriating \$7,988 received from the Virginia Department of Social Services for the Percentage of Income Payment Program (2nd reading)

Background

The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) has provided funding to localities to administer the Percentage of Income Payment Program (PIPP). **The Charlottesville Department of Social Services has received \$7,988 from this funding.**

Discussion

The Percentage of Income Payment Program (PIPP) will assist Dominion Energy customers with household income less than 150% of the federal poverty guidelines to maintain their electric service by making payments based on their household income instead of their utility bill amount. Benefits staff from the Department of Social Services will process applications and enroll approved local residents in the program. The funding will be used for staffing and related administrative costs needed to administer the program.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

This aligns with the city's commitment to provide safety services and to build collaboration with community partners.

Community Engagement

Budgetary Impact

Department staff will work closely with the community to promote the program and enroll residents that are eligible.

Recommendation

Approval and appropriation of the funds

Alternatives

The Department will be unable to administer the program which is mandated by the Virginia Department of Social Services.

Attachments

1. PIPP Funding Resolution May 2024