

# Policy Briefing Summary

## City Council



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| <b>Regarding:</b>               | <b>Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement Pledging \$3 million to the Salvation Army for the Center of Hope Capital Campaign.</b> |
| <b>Staff Contact(s):</b>        | Samuel Sanders, Jr., City Manager, Taylor Harvey-Ryan, Grants Program Manager                                                                                    |
| <b>Presenter:</b>               | <b>Samuel Sanders, Jr., City Manager</b>                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Date of Proposed Action:</b> | August 17, 2026                                                                                                                                                  |

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### Issue

The City of Charlottesville wishes allocate \$3 million of the \$7 million it anticipates receiving from the Commonwealth of Virginia for transitional housing. The \$3 million will be pledged to the Salvation Army for the Center of Hope capital campaign.

### Background / Rule

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia has earmarked \$7 million dollars for the City of Charlottesville to use for transitional housing and workforce development services.

### Analysis

Upon execution of the grant with the Commonwealth, the City intends to appropriate the full amount of the grant and execute a grant agreement with the Salvation Army for \$3 million. The Center of Hope will expand the Salvation Army's capacity to meet human needs at the existing Ridge Street campus in Charlottesville. The new Center for Hope will be a 4-story, approximately 47,000 square feet building which is an increase in capacity of 15,000 square feet. This will increase bed capacity from 55 to 114 beds and an additional 7 two-bedroom suites will be included. It will also increase the Salvation Army's feeding capacity from 60 to 120 seats.

### Financial Impact

There is no direct financial impact to the City as the funds are a state appropriation. Funding will only be released to the Salvation Army upon the city receiving the funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

### Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a grant agreement pledging \$3 million to the Salvation Army for the Center of Hope Capital Campaign.

### Recommended Motion (if Applicable)

I move to authorize this resolution with a single reading and a 4/5ths vote to ensure the inclusion of this grant amount in the capital campaign which closes on August 31st.

### Attachments

1. Resolution to Pledge \$3 million to the Savation Army for the Center of Hope Capital Campaign