

Referral motion for July 20 relating to item 5 – Homelessness strategy guiding framework

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Motion:

That it be referred to staff to consider options to maintain the funding for the after-hours outreach and food aid delivery programs through an additional level of funding in the annual grants process or otherwise, and that these options are presented before the applications for the 2027 HSS grants cycle are due this fall.

Rationale:

As it states in the report on page GP202, the number one priority response for the homelessness framework is to **continue** services for people who are experiencing homelessness. Having a predictable process for approving these amounts will be more efficient for the city as well as the organizations doing this work. The amounts given in 2026 to Refuge Church, St. Albans and the Salvation Army through both the grants process and the additional motions were:

\$25000 Refuge Church

\$75000 Refuge Churge

\$20000 Salvation Army

\$38584 St Albans

\$26416 Additional for St Albans from 2025

Total \$185000.00