

## FY 2023 Part A Food Bank/Home-Delivered Meals Allocations Increase Proposal

The Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention’s fiscal year (FY) 2023 pre-award allocations plan assumed flat funding – the same amount as the FY 2022 award. Hennepin County received a small (1.1%) increase in their FY 2023 Part A award, requiring the council to allocate an additional \$26,900 in Part A funds to services.

Hennepin County’s Ryan White Program proposes to allocate this additional \$26,900 to the council’s identified fourth priority of Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals. The Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention’s fiscal year 2023 pre-award allocations plan included \$335,734 for home-delivered meals. In FY 2022, home-delivered meals also received significant rebate funding to meet the nutritional needs of PWH through the provision of home delivered meals for home-bound PWH. The rebate funds allocated by Hennepin County to home delivered meals for PWH in the Part A metropolitan grant area was reduced by \$197,700 in FY 2023 because the state’s rebate reserve is now spent down, and the 340B rebate generated by Minnesota’s AIDS Drug Assistance Program has declined.

The additional \$26,900 in Part A funds will help fill this funding gap. Hennepin County’s Ryan White Program asks that the council approve this increase for the post-award FY 2023 allocations plan.

HRSA Category - Service Activity	FY 2023 Post-Award	FY 2023 Post-Award	Change	Notes
Food Bank – Home Delivered Meals	\$335,734	\$362,634	+\$26,900	The additional funds will provide home delivered meals to help consumers adhere to a treatment or medication regimen and maintain good health outcomes. Whenever possible, the special dietary needs and practices of clients are considered in menu planning and food preparation. Planning for meals includes consultation and approval from a registered dietician in accordance with nutrition guidelines for people with HIV. This allocation increase will provide home delivered meals to an additional 22 PWH.



### Food Bank/Home Delivered Meals

According to the 2020 Community HIV Needs Assessment, 35% of the 350 respondents who need home-delivered meals reported being unable to access this service. 44% of the 86 Black/African American respondents, 40% of the 27 Black/African-born respondents, and 46% of the 13 multi-racial respondents needing this service also reported being unable to access it. An identified correlation between those receiving this service and a higher viral suppression rate points to a need to provide this service to as many people living with HIV as possible in the MSP-TGA. It is anticipated that the total amount of funding with the increase could reach up to 297 Ryan White eligible PWH experiencing hunger.

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