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NOTICE OF FUNDING CHANGE: RYAN WHITE PART B SUPPORT SERVICES

Aloha Community & Partners,

We are writing to inform you of funding changes that will affect the availability of our Ryan White-funded support services. These changes have been made at the federal level and are impacting the following programs we offer:

- Financial assistance for medical bills and copays
- Emergency financial assistance for rent, utilities, and medications not covered by insurance
- Medical transportation
- Food shopping program

What This Means

- ➤ <u>Decreased Funding</u>. The level of funding available for these programs has been reduced, which will impact the number of individuals we are able to assist.
- ➤ <u>Prioritization of Services</u>. We will need to prioritize services based on critical need and available resources. This could mean changes to eligibility criteria, or the amount of assistance provided.
- ➤ <u>Program Adjustments.</u> We are actively exploring alternative funding sources and evaluating our programs to ensure we can continue to provide essential support. However, some program adjustments are necessary.

What You Can Do

- > Stay informed by checking our website and social media channels for updates.
- Contact our office with any questions or concerns.
- ➤ Explore other resources and networks in your community with your Case Manager.
- Please be patient with staff as they navigate these changes.

We understand that this news causes concern. We want to assure you that we are committed to doing everything within our capacity to provide essential support to our community. We will continue to advocate for the needs of our clients and work diligently to ensure those who need assistance receive it. We will assist in finding alternatives for a solution.

We appreciate your understanding and continued support during this time.

Mahalo, HIV Case Management