



North Bay Regional Center

Board Opportunity Fund Request The Executive Committee approved this request on 2/23/2023. (Pérez, Johnson, Speck, Bednarova)

Date: 2/21/23
Service Coordinator: SG
Individual Name: WM
DOB: 2/1957
County of Residence: Solano
Type of Request: Rental assistance

Summary

Include diagnosis, detailed circumstances and why the funds are needed. Please also include an itemized list of costs (approximate).

WM is a 66-year-old unconserved man, and eligible to receive NBRC services due to the diagnosis of Mild Intellectual Disability. WM's other health diagnoses include hepatitis B (chronic), hypertension, both sides inguinal hernias, and benign prostatic hyperplasia.

He currently lives in a 2-bedroom apartment with his roommate (J) in Vacaville and they have lived there since 2018. He also receives Independent Living Skills (ILS) services from Seasons. The agency assists WM with grocery shopping, responding to mail, reminders for personal care tasks, and communication amongst other organizations. In addition, WM receives representative payee services from New Leaf Solutions.

On January 19, 2023, New Leaf Solutions provided the Service Coordinator with a copy of an eviction notice for WM from their apartment complex, Alamo Gardens. After further investigating the matter and reviewing ledgers submitted to them by Alamo Gardens, New Leaf Solutions determined that there was a rent increase in 2022, although no one, including New Leaf, was notified prior to the rent increase. The rent had increased from \$1021.00 per month to \$1125.00 per month.



WM's SSI amount has increased as of February 2023 to \$775.99. However, WM does not have enough funds currently to pay his back rent due amount of \$1,134. Service Coordinator has explored generic resources to assist with covering the funds, such as Benicia Community Action Council/Seasons of Sharing Program. In addition, Service Coordinator contacted Vacaville Housing Authority, Disability Rights CA, Legal Services of North California-Vallejo, Brilliant Corners, and North Bay Housing Coalition for legal advice and housing retention services.


Service Coordinator will work with the ILS agency to make sure that WM and New Leaf Solutions are notified of future rent increases on a timely basis and adjust WM's rent payments accordingly. Service Coordinator has also submitted a request to the NBRC Higher Level of Care Committee (HLOC) for an alternative living arrangement for WM, in case there is no reversal to the eviction.

TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED: \$1,134.00

ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES EXPLORED: Benicia Community Action Council/Seasons of Sharing, New Leaf account funds, Vacaville Housing Authority, Disability Rights CA, Legal Services of North California-Vallejo, Brilliant Corners, North Bay Housing Coalition, and Higher Level of Care (HLOC).

Service Coordinator: SG
Supervisor: TT

Approved: Not approved (please explain):


Gabriel Rogin Executive Director
Board President (if applicable):



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Date: 2/21/23
Service Coordinator: IG
Individual Name: JR
DOB: 2/98
County of Residence: Vacaville
Type of Request: Rental Assistance

Summary

Include diagnosis, detailed circumstances and why the funds are needed. Please also include an itemized list of costs (approximate).

JR is a 25-year-old unconserved young man eligible for Regional Center services based on the diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder. JR is an easy-going young man who enjoys playing video games and being at home. He resides at his own apartment in Vacaville with a roommate who is also an NBRC client. He is mostly independent with all ADLs and only needs occasional reminders and support.

On January 17th, 2023, the Service Coordinator received an email from the payee service, New Leaf Solutions, informing her that Alamo Gardens, where JR lives was initiating the eviction process. Upon further investigation it was discovered that JR owed \$511 in rent from May 2021. New Leaf discovered that there was an uncashed check from JR's account to property management from that time, however, by the time they realized the check was never cashed, JR no longer had those funds in his account to pay for the rent. JR receives approximately \$1133.73 of SSI benefits monthly, of which \$668 is paid in rent as of January 2023, with utilities not included. Currently, JR does not have enough funds to cover his past due and cannot cover his unpaid balance to keep his residence. The Service Coordinator has explored generic resources that could provide temporary rental relief for the client with no available resources. The Service Coordinator also sought Disability Rights and Legal Aid support to be



able to aid in the client's situation. The Service Coordinator respectfully requests the NBRC Board to fund the \$511 that JR owes to the Alamo Gardens apartment to support the retention of his current residence.


TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED: \$511.00

ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES EXPLORED: Explored City of Vacaville Rental Assistance program, Vacaville Housing Association, Seasons of Sharing Rental Assistance, North Bay Housing Coalition Housing Retention.

Service Coordinator: IG
Supervisor: KW

Approved:

Not approved (please explain):

<p>X </p> <hr/> <p>Gabriel Rogin Executive Director</p>
Board President (if applicable):