



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 12/1/2020

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HCD20-162 Harris County Community Services Department Youth Homeless Services Program

Agenda Item#: 28.

Summary:

NOT A REAL CAPTION

ORDINANCE authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston and Harris County Community Services Department, providing up to \$266,962.00 in Homeless Housing and Services Program Youth set-aside funds to address youth homelessness in Houston

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston and Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD), providing up to \$266,962.00 in Homeless Housing and Services Program (HHSP) Youth set-aside funds to address youth (young adults age 18-24) homelessness in Houston. The HCCSD Youth Homeless Services Program serves young adults (clients), who have aged out of foster care, suffered loss and trauma, and are extremely vulnerable. These young adults benefit greatly from the structure, resources and support offered to them through case management services. The program not only significantly impacts the life of the client, but the lives of their young children, possibly helping to avoid perpetuating the cycle of abuse and neglect.

HCCSD will provide case management services to a minimum of 60 youth-headed households (young adults who are the head of their household). This program is currently being funded with FY2020 HHSP Youth-set-aside funds via a contract with Child Care Council of Greater Houston, Inc., and funding expires November 30, 2020. This Subrecipient Agreement funds the program through August 31, 2021 and will avoid a gap in services. In addition, this program leverages the Family Unification Program Housing Vouchers administered by the Houston Housing Authority.

Program objectives include:

- 1. Prevent homelessness by stabilizing clients through housing case management;
- 2. Provide effective case management with client participation, by self-directing clients toward solutions for creating a more stable housing outcome; and
- 3. Assist clients in connecting with outside resources, by providing linkages to community support agencies to help maintain financial independence.

FUNDING CATEGORY	AMOUNT	Percent
Administration	\$0.00	0%
Direct Services	\$266,962.00	100%
Total	\$266,962.00	100%

This agreement provides funding from December 15, 2020 – August 31, 2021.

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on November 17, 2020.

Designated by:

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Amount of Funding:

\$266,962.00

State – Grant Funded

Fund 5010

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