

# CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 1/10/2023 ALL Item Creation Date: 10/26/2022

HCD22-85 Coalition for the Homeless Strategic Homeless Planning

Agenda Item#: 16.

# **Background:**

The Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a new Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston (City) and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County (Coalition), providing up to \$130,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for strategic homeless planning services and activities.

As the Lead Agency for The Way Home system, the Coalition is a sole-source provider that guides the development, advocacy, and coordination of community strategies to prevent and end homelessness. Their collaboration with HCD, homeless services providers, affordable housing providers, community stakeholders, those with lived experience, and other non-profits allows for greater alignment in every aspect of planning and decision-making activities necessary for providing critical homeless services and responding to emerging issues in the homeless response system.

The Coalition will address problems of homelessness and provide systemic solutions through landlord engagement, stakeholder recruitment, encampment response strategies, needs assessments, gap analyses, and system operations support. They will serve as liaison at the city, county, state, and federal levels, support homeless services providers, establish standards, coordinate affordable housing options and supportive services for the homeless, and advocate on behalf of the very vulnerable homeless and at-risk populations.

CATEGORY	AMOUNT	PERCENT
Program Services	\$117,000.00	90.00%
Administration	\$13,000.00	10.00%
Total	\$130,000.00	100%

The Coalition has received funding through the City for various grants since 2005. This newly executed Agreement provides funding from February 1, 2023, to January 31, 2024. No Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was performed as the agency is a sole-source provider being the designated Lead Agency. There were no findings in the most recent annual compliance monitoring.

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on November 15, 2022.

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### **Amount and Source of Funding:**

\$130,000.00 Federal Government - Grant Funded (5000)

#### **Contact Information:**

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### **ATTACHMENTS**:

**Description**Delinquent Tax Report
Affidavit of Ownership Form-Coalition

**Public Notice** 

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