



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 11/28/2023

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Item Creation Date:

T32754 - Credible Messenger Services (Collective Action for Youth ) - ORDINANCE

Agenda Item#: 35.

### **Summary:**

#### **NOT A REAL CAPTION**

ORDINANCE awarding an Agreement to **COLLECTIVE ACTION FOR YOUTH** to provide credible messenger services for the Houston Health Department - maximum contract amount - \$475,000.00 - ARPA Recovery Fund

### **Background:**

**Request for Proposals received on July 20, 2023, for P22-T32754 – Approve an ordinance awarding an agreement to Collective Action for Youth in the maximum contract amount of \$475,000.00 to provide credible messenger services for the Houston Health Department.**

### **Specific Explanation:**

The Director of the Houston Health Department and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve an ordinance awarding a **three-year** agreement to **Collective Action for Youth** in the maximum contract amount of **\$475,000.00** to provide credible messenger services for the Houston Health Department.

Credible Messengers improve outcomes for people in the justice system including increased engagement with programs and services; reduction in re-arrests, violations, and anti-social behavior; increased compliance with court mandates; and improved relationships between system stakeholders and community members.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) was advertised in accordance with State of Texas bids laws and as a result, proposals were received from Collective Action for Youth and K16 Ready Society, Inc. d.b.a. Texas Initiative Program (TIPS). The evaluation committee consisted of employees from the Houston Health Department and Houston Police Department.

The proposals were evaluated based upon the following criteria:

1. Responsiveness of Proposal
2. Technical Competence
3. Price Proposal

Collective Action for Youth received the highest overall scores and were deemed the best qualified to perform the requirements as outlined in the RFP.

### **MWBE Participation:**

Zero-percent goal document approved by the Office of Business Opportunity.

### **Pay or Play Program:**

The proposed contract requires compliance with the City's "Pay or Play" ordinance requiring health benefits for employees of City Contractors. In this case, Collective Action for Youth will provide health benefits to eligible employees in compliance with the City policy.

### **Hire Houston First:**

Hire Houston First does not apply to this expenditure because it involves the use of federal funds and is subject to specific federal government procurement rules.

### **Fiscal Note:**

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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Jedediah Greenfield  
Chief Procurement Officer  
Finance/Strategic Procurement Division

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Department Approval Authority

Estimated Operating Revenues:

Department	FY2024	Out Years	Total
Houston Health Department	\$200,00.00	\$275,000.00	\$475,000.00

**Amount and Source of Funding:**

\$475,000.00  
ARPA Recovery Fund  
Fund 5309

**Contact Information:**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

Funding Verification  
Verification of Grant Funding - JC

**Type**

Backup Material  
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