

## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 2/11/2025 District I, ALL Item Creation Date: 1/8/2025

HCD25-04 The Salvation Army - 3rd Amendment

Agenda Item#: 3.

## **Background:**

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Third Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston (City) and The Salvation Army (TSA), extending the term of the Agreement and providing up to an additional \$334,689.86 in Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to continue the provision of homeless program services to include diversion, homelessness prevention, and emergency shelter to a minimum of 775 additional households who are experiencing homelessness or are at-risk for immediate homelessness.

Diversion assists clients in crisis to identify immediate alternative housing arrangements to avoid emergency shelter or unsheltered living. Diversion can include but is not limited to, flexible direct financial assistance, family mediation, and counseling services. Homelessness prevention activities include assistance with short-term rent and utility payments to prevent eviction or termination of services. TSA will also provide emergency shelter for households experiencing homelessness.

CATEGORY	CDBG	ESG	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Program	\$0.00	\$291,034.66	\$291,034.66	86.96%
Administration	\$43,655.20	\$0.00	\$43,655.20	13.04%
Total	\$43,655.20	\$291,034.66	\$334,689.86	100.00%

The Way Home, a collaborative partnership between the City of Houston, Harris County, and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County (Coalition), developed the Community COVID Housing Program (CCHP) to specifically respond to COVID-19's impacts on the homeless. For CCHP Phase 2, a joint Request for Expression of Interest from qualified agencies was released in March, 2022 by the Coalition. TSA was one of the qualified agencies selected to receive funding for Diversion services.

The initial Agreement term was from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023, was administratively extended through September 30, 2024, then amended through January 31, 2025. It was then administratively extended through March 31, 2025. This Third Amendment will provide funding through January 31, 2026.

As of November 2024, TSA achieved 157.11% of its goal and expended approximately 82.31% of funding. TSA began receiving funding through the City of Houston in 2012, and there were no findings on their most recent annual compliance monitoring review.

## **Fiscal Note:**

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item was reviewed by the Quality of Life Committee on February 3, 2025.

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**Prior Council Action:** 

9/28/2022 (O) 2022-0717 11/08/2023 (O) 2023-954 09/11/2024 (O) 2024-657

**Amount and Source of Funding:** 

\$334,689.86 Federal Government - Grant Funded (5000)

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