

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 9/16/2025 District H, ALL Item Creation Date: 6/27/2025

HCD25-73 Wesley Community Center

Agenda Item#: 18.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston (City) and Wesley Community Center (Wesley), providing up to \$580,264.00 in HOME Investment Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for a program that will serve a minimum of 35 households annually who are at-risk of or experiencing homelessness. This agreement is one part of Mayor Whitmire's program to end street homelessness in the City of Houston.

Wesley's Homeless Prevention Program will work primarily with households who are referred through The Way Home's Coordinated Entry System, while also accepting referrals from other City-approved sources as appropriate. Services may include financial assistance, case management, food, transportation, outreach services, and other supportive services such as income/employment supports and referrals to other wrap-around services.

Year 1	HOME-ARP	CDBG	TOTAL	PERCENT
Program	\$261,504.60	\$0.00	\$261,504.60	90.13%
Administration	\$0.00	\$28,627.40	\$28,627.40	9.87%
Subtotal	\$261,504.60	\$28,627.40	\$290,132.00	100.00%
Year 2	HOME-ARP	CDBG	TOTAL	PERCENT
Program	\$261,504.60	\$0.00	\$261,504.60	90.13
Administration	\$0.00	\$28,627.40	\$28,627.40	9.87%
Subtotal	\$261,504.60	\$28,627.40	\$290,132.00	100.00%
Total	\$523,009.20	\$57,254.80	\$580,264.00	100.00%

In March 2025, in partnership with Harris County and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County, the City invited organizations to submit proposals under a Request for Expression of Interest (REI). Wesley was one of the agencies that responded and was selected from the applicants that proposed homeless prevention services.

The initial Agreement period is from Date of Countersignature to August 31, 2026, with an optional one-year renewal at the City's discretion. Wesley has received funding from the City of Houston since 2022. There were no findings or concerns in the most recent compliance monitoring for other funded projects.

Fiscal Note:

No fiscal note is required for grant items.

The Housing and Affordability Committee Chair was briefed on this item on July 14, 2025 and this item was reviewed by the Quality of Life Committee in July 24, 2025.

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Amount and Source of Funding:

\$580,264.00 Federal Government - Grant Fund - (5000)

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