



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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HCD17-89 HOUSTON AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

Agenda Item#:

### **Background:**

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) recommends approval of a second contract amendment to exercise the renewal option between the City of Houston and Houston Area Community Services (HACS) to finance the operation of (1) a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program with supportive services, (2) a Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance (STRMUA) Program with supportive services, and (3) operation of a transitional medical respite facility.

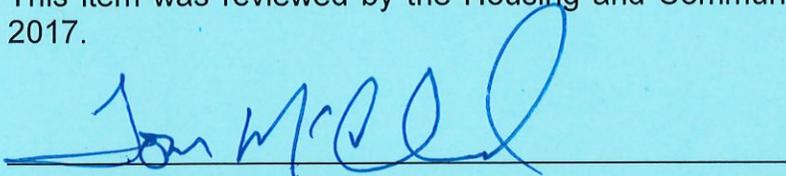
The City will grant HACS \$1,828,150.00 to serve low-income persons and their families living with HIV/AIDS. Special emphasis will be placed on addressing those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. HACS will serve at least 660 households affected by HIV/AIDS. HACS' services include rental subsidies and short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance to prevent homelessness by helping families remain in their own dwellings. HACS operates a transitional medical respite facility for persons with AIDS who are homeless and have acute medical conditions that require a stable living environment with nursing care and supportive services. Supportive services include, housing case management, permanent housing placement (rent and utility deposits, applications fees), and behavioral health services. HOPWA funds are providing 26% of the cost of this program.

Category	Total Contract Amount	Percent	Households Served
Administrative	\$97,806.02	5%	N/A
Supportive Services	\$171,297.66	9%	50
Perm. Housing Placement	\$54,478.87	3%	60
TBRA	\$1,145,153.16	63%	300
STRMUA	\$259,231.67	14%	200
Operations (Transitional Medical Respite Facility)	\$100,182.62	6%	50
Total	\$1,828,150.00	100%	660

HCDD conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HOPWA contracts for fiscal year 2016. HACS was one of the providers selected. The original contract period was from December 1, 2015 – November 30, 2016. The first contract amendment was from December 1,

2016 – November 30, 2017. This second amendment extends the contract through November 30, 2018. HACS began receiving HOPWA funds through the City in 2000.

This item was reviewed by the Housing and Community Affairs Committee on November 28, 2017.



Tom McCasland, Director

**Prior Council Action:**

1/20/16, (O) 2016-48

11/16/16, (O) 2016-895

**Amount of Funding:**

1,828,150.00

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) - Fund 5000

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