

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor via City Secretary

RCA #

SUBJECT: An ordinance approving and authorizing an interlocal agreement between the City of Houston, Harris Health System, and Baylor College of Medicine for case management services in connection with human trafficking victims.

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Agenda Item#

FROM: (Department or other point of origin):


Mayor's Office - Human Trafficking

Origination Date

12/6/2017

Agenda Date

DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:



Council Districts affected:

All

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Date and identification of prior authorizing Council Action: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)

The Mayor's Office recommends City Council approve an ordinance for an interlocal agreement with Harris Health System ("HHS") and Baylor College of Medicine for the City to reimburse HHS's expenses relating to the hiring and supervision of a human trafficking health care case manager that will collect and transmit de-identified data to the City relating to the treatment and assessment of human trafficking victims.

Amount of Funding:

\$70,000.00 – Fund 5030

\$17,500.00 (cash match provided by third party) – Fund 5040

FIN Budget:

\$0, no funds required from the City's general fund.

Total Project Cost: **\$87,500.00**

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

☐ General Fund

☒ Grant Fund

☐ Enterprise Fund

☒ Other (Specify)

SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:

The Harris Health System (HHS) will hire and supervise a human trafficking health care case manager at Ben Taub Hospital to collect data, assist trafficking victims to enroll in applicable financial assistance programs, make referrals to appropriate specialists to meet healthcare needs of trafficking victims, and coordinate with other case managers at shelters to provide rehabilitative treatment to victims. HHS will compile de-identified information in connection with the assessment of the trafficking victims and transmit such information to the Mayor's Office of Anti-Human Trafficking.

HHS will pay the case manager a salary of \$87,500.00. The City will reimburse HHS \$70,000 and secure a third-party sponsor to pay HHS the remaining \$17,500. The City's payment will be from grant funds obtained from a grant awarded by the Office of the Texas Governor Criminal Justice Division.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

FIN Director:

Date:

Originator's Initials

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