

April 9, 2021

The Honorable Judge Lina Hidalgo  
And Members of Commissioners Court  
Harris County Administration Building  
Houston, Texas 77002

Honorable Members of Court:

The Sheriff's Office respectfully requests approval of the Interlocal Agreement between Harris County and Santa Maria Hostel, Inc. for the purpose of allowing the Harris County Sheriff's Office to coordinate services for incarcerated females and provide comprehensive reentry support through Path to Recovery Program.

Your favorable consideration in the above request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Ed Gonzalez, Sheriff  
Harris County

EG/sr

Enclosure

April 5, 2021

To: Ed Gonzalez, Sheriff  
Harris County



Edison Toquica, Chief Deputy  
Executive / Law Enforcement Command



Shannon Herklotz, Chief of Detentions  
Criminal Justice Command

Shannon J. Herklotz  
Shannon J. Herklotz (Apr 9, 2021 15:19 CDT)

Fr: Eleanor M. Jones, Major  
Detention Support Services Bureau



Re: Interlocal Agreement between HCSO Reentry and Santa Maria Hostel

Attached is an Interlocal agreement between the Harris County Sheriff's Office, Re-Entry Unit, and Santa Maria Hostel for a continued partnership on the Second Change Act Grant – Path to Recovery Program.

If approved, this will mark the seventh year this partnership has observed.

Attachments

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March 23, 2021

To: Ed Gonzalez, Sheriff

Shannon Herklotz, Chief  
Executive Command

Eleanor Jones, Major  
Detention Support Services

Walter Bailey, Captain  
Admin Support Services

From: Jennifer Herring, Manager  
Reentry Services

Re: Interlocal Agreement between HCSO Reentry and Santa Maria Hostel

Attached please find the Interlocal Agreement between HCSO Reentry and Santa Maria Hostel for continued partnership on the Second Cahnce Act Grant-Path to Recovery Program. This marks the 7<sup>th</sup> year that we have partnered with Santa maria Hostel on this grant.

Thank you for your support.

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March 12, 2021

Nadine Scamp, LMSW  
CEO  
Santa Maria Hostel, Inc.  
2605 Parker Road  
Houston, TX 77093

Dear Ms. Scamp:

I am pleased to provide this letter of support for Santa Maria Hostel, Inc.'s proposal to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the Second Chance Act Community-Based Reentry Program FY 2021 Competitive Grant Solicitation Number BJA-2021-58002, Category 2-Community-based Adult Reentry for Organizations Serving Non-Rural Communities, Competition ID: BJA-2021-00035.

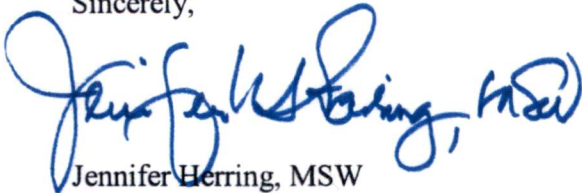
I support Santa Maria's proposal for the *Path to Recovery* program to provide comprehensive reentry support for female offenders through pre-release services to include screening/assessment, recovery coaching/mentoring, and transition/reentry planning, along with a comprehensive menu of transitional services post-release to be offered through Santa Maria's continuum of care and community collaborations. The *Path to Recovery* program will facilitate successful community reintegration, increase support systems to enhance recovery and reentry goals, and decrease recidivism.

Santa Maria has for many years provided comprehensive services for justice-involved pregnant women and women with children who are recovering from substance use problems, and we look forward to continuing our collaborative work through this reentry project. The Second Chance reentry project will provide critical pre- and post-release support for women recovering from or at risk for developing serious substance use disorders. The program will provide peer recovery supports, treatment services, and housing that will provide much needed services for women trying to get their lives back on track.

I have partnered with Santa Maria Hostel for the last 7 years that I have been with HCSO. The partnership has been fruitful and has garnished tremendous success for the women incarcerated in this jail.

HCSO Reentry looks forward to continued implementation of the *Path to Recovery* program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Herring, MSW". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the initials "MSW" written in a slightly different style at the end.

Jennifer Herring, MSW  
Manager, Reentry Services  
Harris County Sheriff's Office

**Memorandum of Agreement**  
**Between**  
**Santa Maria Hostel, Inc. - *Path to Recovery***  
**and**  
**Harris County Sheriff's Office**

This agreement is entered into by and between Santa Maria Hostel, Inc. and Harris County on behalf of the Harris County Sheriff's Office, Reentry Services (HCSO) for the purpose of coordinating services for female offenders and will provide comprehensive reentry support through pre- and post-release services through Santa Maria's *Path to Recovery* program in response to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the Second Chance Act Community-Based Reentry Program FY 2021 Competitive Grant Solicitation Number BJA-2021-58002, Category 2-Community-based Adult Reentry for Organizations Serving Non-Rural Communities, Competition ID: BJA-2021-00035.

**If the program is funded, HCSO will:**

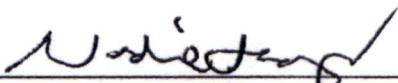
- Allow Santa Maria Hostel's *Path to Recovery* program to provide recovery/reentry services to include screening/assessment, recovery coaching/mentoring, and transition/reentry planning for female offenders onsite at designated correctional facilities/programs (Harris County Jail, including Freedom Project and Been There Done That pods); and, coordinate services post-release for females enrolled in *Path to Recovery*.
- Assess incarcerated females as appropriate utilizing COMPAS, a validated classification and risk/needs assessment tool to identify and coordinate appropriate referrals of moderate to high risk female offenders meeting program's target population criteria; and, share COMPAS reports with *Path to Recovery* program for female offenders referred to *Path to Recovery* to assist in meeting their individualized reentry needs;
- Provide a meeting area within the correctional facility for the *Path to Recovery* program to meet with incarcerated females to provide pre-release recovery/reentry services;
- Participate in cross-training to provide necessary programmatic orientation for appropriate and relevant agency staff members and understanding of offender and victims' issues;
- Share project-related participant information for incarcerated females participating in *Path to Recovery* and assistance with obtaining other specific data elements (e.g., a baseline recidivism rate for the population specific to the site, re-incarceration/recidivism statistics) and performance measure data as required by the grant, as appropriate within privacy and confidentiality laws (State and federal) and within State law requirements related to release of judicial records, with partners and appropriate staff for evaluative/other programmatic purposes.

**If the program is funded, Santa Maria will:**


- Offer pre- and post-release services to female offenders enrolled in *Path to Recovery*;
- Implement pre- and post-release services utilizing evidence-based strategies and guidelines;
- Meet face-to-face with female offenders, with telephone coaching as needed, to develop a mentoring relationship and provide pre-release services (screening/assessment, recovery coaching/mentoring, and transition/reentry planning);




- Offer female offenders participating in *Path to Recovery* a comprehensive menu of transitional services post-release through Santa Maria's continuum of care and community collaborations;
- Participate in treatment team meetings and collaborate services with HCSO staff for participants enrolled in *Path to Recovery*;
- Participate in cross-training to provide necessary programmatic orientation for appropriate and relevant agency staff members and understanding of offender and victims' issues;
- Track and share project-related participant information to include performance measure data and outcomes as required by the grant (e.g., number of participants successfully completing program, number of participants successfully completing treatment), as appropriate within privacy and confidentiality guidelines, with partners and appropriate staff for evaluative and other programmatic purposes.

  
 Nadine Scamp, LMSW  
 CEO  
 Santa Maria Hostel, Inc.

Date 3/23/2021

  
 Lina Hidalgo  
 County Judge  
 Harris County

  
 Ed Gonzalez  
 Sheriff  
 Harris County Sheriff's Office

Date 04/13/2021

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CHRISITAN D. MENEFE  
 COUNTY ATTORNEY

By:   
 DeAnne A. Lin  
 Assistant County Attorney  
 CAO File No.: 21GEN0915

## ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT

The Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, met in regular session at its regular term at the Harris County Administration Building in the City of Houston, Texas, on \_\_\_\_\_, with all members present except \_\_\_\_\_.

A quorum was present. Among other business, the following was transacted:

### ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN HARRIS COUNTY AND SANTA MARIA HOSTEL, INC.

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ introduced an order and moved that Commissioners Court adopt the order. Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion for adoption of the order. The motion, carrying with it the adoption of the order, prevailed by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain
Judge Lina Hidalgo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Rodney Ellis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Adrian Garcia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Tom S. Ramsey, P.E.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. R. Jack Cagle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The County Judge thereupon announced that the motion had duly and lawfully carried and that the order had been duly and lawfully adopted. The order thus adopted follows:

#### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Harris County Judge is authorized to execute on behalf of Harris County the attached Interlocal Agreement between Harris County and Santa Maria Hostel, Inc. for the purpose of allowing the Harris County Sheriff's Office to coordinate services for incarcerated females and provide comprehensive reentry support through Path to Recovery program in response to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the Second Chance Act Community-Based Reentry Program FY 2021 Competitive Grant Solicitation Number BJA-2021-58002, Category 2-Community-based Adult Reentry for Organizations Serving Non-Rural Communities, Competition ID: BJA-2021-00035. The Memorandum of Agreement is incorporated by reference and made a part of this order for all intents and purposes as though set out in full word for word.
2. All Harris County officials and employees are authorized to do any and all things necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes of this order.