



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 23-0110, **Version:** 1

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**Department:** Purchasing

**Department Head/Elected Official:** DeWight Dopslauf

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Contract - Amendment

**Project ID** (if applicable): 210254

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name** (if applicable): Baker Ripley; Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston; Galveston-Houston Immigrant Representation Project; The Tahirih Justice Center

**MWDBE Contracted Goal** (if applicable): 0%

**MWDBE Current Participation** (if applicable): N/A

**Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal:** 0% - Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request for approval of a renewal option with Baker Ripley in the amount of \$95,000; Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, \$163,117; Galveston-Houston Immigrant Representation Project, \$67,618; and The Tahirih Justice Center, \$69,225 for survivor services in Immigration Law Program for the Community Services Department for the period of January 25, 2023 - January 24, 2024 (210254), MWDBE Contracted Goal: 0% - Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature.

**Background and Discussion:**

On November 10, 2020, Commissioners Court engaged in a discussion regarding the creation of an immigrant legal service program for indigent Harris County residents who had been victimized by crime. The discussion resulted in a resolution directing Community Services Department (CSD) to design, administer funds, and oversee an immigrant legal services program for indigent Harris County residents who had been victimized by crime. On July 20, 2021, Commissioners Court authorized the allocation of \$500,000 for the Program's Guidelines. The Program shall provide direct legal representation to indigent Harris County residents who were victims of crime.

Request by the Office of the Purchasing Agent for approval of contract renewals with Baker Ripley (95,000.00), Tahirih Justice Center (69,225.00), Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston (163,117.00), and Galveston-Houston Immigration Representation Project (67,618.00) for the Survivor Services in Immigration Law Program for the Community Services Department for the period of January 25, 2023 - January 24, 2024, (210254) for a total of \$394,960.

**Expected Impact:**

Legal Services in compliance with the guidebook for survivor services in immigration law.

**Alternative Options:**

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- Justice and Safety
- Economic Opportunity
- Housing
- Public Health
- Transportation
- Flooding
- Environment
- Governance and Customer Service

**Prior Court Action (if any):**

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
7/20/2021	21-3420	Passed

**Location:** N/A

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Choose an item.

<b>Fiscal and Personnel Summary</b>			
Service Name			
	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$394,960	\$	\$
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>	<b>\$394,960</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Existing Budget			
1000 - General Fund	\$394,960	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Current Budget</b>	<b>\$394,960</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Additional Budget Requested</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	<b>\$394,960</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>	-	-	-

**Anticipated Court Date:** 1/10/2023

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):** 1/25/2023

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

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**Attachments** (if applicable): Letter, RFP