



## Legislation Text

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**Department:** Public Health Services

**Department Head/Elected Official:** Barbie L. Robinson, MPP, JD, CHC – Executive Director

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Grant

**Project ID (if applicable):** N/A

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable):** N/A

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

**Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal:** N/A - Goal not applicable to request

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request by Public Health Services for approval to accept an amendment to an agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for carryover grant funds in the amount of \$898,615, with no required match, and create three positions effective January 14, 2023, for the Year 2 Community Health Workers for COVID Response & Resilient Communities Program.

**Background and Discussion:**

Through funding made possible by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Harris County Public Health will provide training and deployment of community health workers (CHWs) to response efforts and by building and strengthening community resilience to fight COVID-19 through addressing existing health disparities. The Community Health Workers for COVID Response and Resilient Communities (CCR) Program provides a mechanism in which HCPH will be able to expand its COVID-19 response through community health worker engagement and partnerships with community-based organizations. The purpose of the grant is to build resilience in communities while strengthening ties between community health workers, partner organizations and COVID-19 response efforts. This agreement will allow HCPH to expand community health worker activities in response to COVID-19 by carrying over unspent funds from year 1 into year 2 activities.

**Expected Impact:**

The Community Health Workers for COVID Response and Resilient Communities (CCR) grant will allow HCPH to build on existing COVID-19 response efforts, specifically by integrating Community Health Workers (CHWs) into partner organizations and care teams in order to successfully engage with local public health led actions and target priority populations with increased prevalence of COVID-19 and those disproportionately impacted by long-standing health disparities. Additionally, the grant will allow HCPH to create partnerships across the region with other CHW organizations and strengthen relevant CHW knowledge, roles, and skills of the staff we hire.

**Alternative Options:**

All future year funding will be based on satisfactory programmatic progress and the availability of funds.

**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
N/A		

**Location:**

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

<b>Fiscal and Personnel Summary</b>			
Service Name	Community Health Workers for COVID Response & Resilient Communities Year 2		
	<b>FY 23</b>	<b>FY 24</b>	<b>Next 3 FYs</b>
<b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Labor Expenditures	\$991,854	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$2,906,516	\$	\$
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>	<b>\$3,898,370</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Existing Budget			
Grant	\$2,999,755	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Current Budget</b>	<b>\$2,999,755</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Additional Budget Requested			
Grant	\$898,615	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$

	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$898,615	\$	\$
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	<b>\$3,898,370</b>	\$	\$
<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	10	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	3	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>13</b>	-	-

**Anticipated Court Date:** January 10, 2023

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):** January 10, 2023

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** COVID-19 related item

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**Attachments** (if applicable): Court Order, Budget Narrative, Carryover Fact Sheet, 3441