



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 23-2972, **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): 210372

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name** (if applicable): Change Happens

**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 Change Happens for intermediary organization to administer the Youth Justice Community Reinvestment Fund for Justice and Safety through April 25, 2024 at a cost of \$300,000 (210372), MWDBE Contracted Goal: 0% - Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature.

**Background and Discussion:**

On February 8, 2021, Commissioners Court approved Justice and Safety budget request which allocated funds for the creation of the Youth Justice Community Reinvestment Fund. This fund will provide support to build local capacity for non-profit organizations to provide prevention and intervention services to youth at risk or who are involved in the juvenile justice system.

On April 26, 2022 an award was made to Change Happens.

**Expected Impact:**

The Youth Justice Community Reinvestment Fund will build sustainable capacity in home grown community organizations that provide resources to youth, and their families, at risk or who are involved in the juvenile justice system. The intermediary organization will identify community resources and gaps in services then select prospective grantee organizations. The intermediary will support grantees with coaching and infrastructure development. After a period of time to build grantee capacity, the intermediary will then assess grantee performance. The intermediary is essential in developing capacity in areas of Harris County historically and currently underserved by a robust network of service providers to families in need. As youth are diverted from juvenile justice systems to community-based care, the fiscal impact will be a reduction in the expenditure of resources to detain, provide case management, and other county expenditures to youth involved in the justice system.

**Alternative Options:**

Do nothing and continue with current process of juvenile justice.

**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
2/8/21	269	Approval of \$2,000,000 in funding for the Youth Justice Community Reinvestment Fund in the Commissioners Court Forfeited Asset Fund (2901)
4/26/22	162	Approval of Award

**Location:** N/A

**Address (if applicable):** Multiple

**Precinct(s):** Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name	Substance Abuse Treatment Services - Council on Recovery		
	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Labor Expenditures	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
<b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>			
Existing Budget			
Other	\$2,000,000	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Current Budget</b>	\$2,000,000	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$

Total Additional Budget Requested	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	\$2,000,000	\$	\$
<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	N/A	N/A	N/A
Additional Positions Requested	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Total Personnel</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Anticipated Court Date:** 5/16/2023

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):** N/A

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

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**Attachments** (if applicable): Letter