



Legislation Text

File #: 24-2222, **Version:** 1

Department: Housing and Community Development

Department Head/Elected Official: Thao Costis, Executive Director

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Grant

Project ID (if applicable): N/A

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): City of Houston

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 for approval to accept and execute the grant agreement with the City of Houston for an award amount of \$125,000 in ESG and \$18,750 in CDBG funds for a total award of \$143,750 in CDBG/ESG HSP program funds.

Background and Discussion:

On February 12, 2024, the City of Houston (COH) notified Harris County Housing and Community Development (HCHCD) that the City of Houston's CDBG/ESG Homeless Services Program (HSP) will be renewed for a grant term beginning at the time of the execution of the CDBG/ESG HSP grant agreement and ending on March 31, 2025. The CDBG/ESG HSP program will be funded with \$125,000 in ESG and \$18,750 in CDBG funds. These funds are made available to prevent homelessness through providing emergency rental assistance and housing stability case management for a minimum of twenty-five (25) unduplicated households within the City of Houston.

HCHCD assists hundreds of low-income households annually with the help of various grants to deliver emergency financial assistance and housing stability case management services. The City of Houston's Homeless Services Program would allow HCHCD to serve low-income households within the City of Houston with emergency rental assistance and housing stability case management.

On March 29, 2024, the City of Houston sent HCHCD a grant agreement for the CDBG/ESG HSP renewal in the amount of \$125,000 in ESG and \$87,500 in CDBG Funds for a total award amount of \$143,750. Harris County will provide a match amount of \$125,000 for a total project amount of \$268,750. The HSP grant will provide emergency rental assistance and housing stability case management to 25 unduplicated households within the City of Houston. The grant term will begin on the day that the agreement is fully executed and end on March 31, 2025.

Expected Impact:

The HSP grant will provide emergency rental assistance and housing stability case management to 25 unduplicated households within the City of Houston.

Alternative Options:

HCHCD will receive \$143,750 and will match \$125,000 from our general funds. There are no alternative options due to the City of Houston's CDBG-ESG program allows HCHCD to serve clients in the City of Houston's service area.

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

Location:

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name	Emergency Financial Assistance and Case Management			
	Current Fiscal Year Cost			Annual Fiscal Cost
	Labor	Non-Labor	Total	Recurring Expenses
Funding Sources				
Existing Budget				
1000 - General Fund	\$125,000.00	\$	\$125,000	\$
Grant	\$38,720	\$105,030	\$143,750	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$163,720.00	\$105,030.00	\$268,750.00	\$
Additional Budget Request (<i>Requires Fiscal Review Request Form</i>)				
Grant	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$

Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Request	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Request	\$	\$	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-	-
Additional Positions Request	-	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: 04/23/2024

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): April 1,2024

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

Contact(s) name, title, department: Thao Costis, Executive Director, HCCSD

Attachments (if applicable): City of Houston Grant Agreement, Statement of Work and Budget