



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 24-2147, **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): 230186

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name** (if applicable): Refugee And Immigrant Center for Education and Legal Services

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

**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 that the County Judge execute an amendment to an agreement with Refugee And Immigrant Center for Education and Legal Services in the additional amount of \$18,687 to update the payment structure for immigrant legal services fund for the Community Services Department for the period of January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024 (230186), Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: 0% - Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature.

**Background and Discussion:**

On November 10, 2020, Harris County Community Services Department (CSD) received Commissioners Court approval to design and implement the Immigrant Legal Services Fund (ILSF) Program in Harris County. Commissioners Court allocated Harris County General Funds for the one-year provision for deportation defense legal services, subject to a one-year extension. The selected vendors delivered direct legal representation to immigrants or indigent residents of Harris County who were unrepresented by legal counsel in detention status or facing the threat of deportation.

**Expected Impact:**

The approval of this item will allow for the operation of the Immigrant Legal Services Fund Program (ILSF) housed in Harris County Community Services Department. This program will deliver direct legal representation to immigrants in detention or facing the threat of deportation.

**Alternative Options:**

N/A

**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
12/19/2023	268	Agreements Approved
7/18/2023	23-3830	Approval for Advertisement

**Location:**

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Countywide

**Fiscal and Personnel Summary**

Service Name				
	<b>Current Fiscal Year Cost</b>			<b>Annual Fiscal Cost</b>
	<b>Labor</b>	<b>Non-Labor</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Recurring Expenses</b>

**Funding Sources**

**Existing Budget**

Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Current Budget</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$

**Additional Budget Request** (*Requires Fiscal Review Request Form*)

Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Additional Budget Request</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Total Funding Request</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$

**Personnel** (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)

Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-	-
Additional Positions Request	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>	-	-	-	-

**Anticipated Court Date: 4/23/2024**

**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, Agreement