

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35FY23 COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMS - PROGRAM GRANTS SECOND ROUND

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of Contracts with Center for Transforming Lives and Family Pathfinders of Tarrant County from the Crime Control & Prevention District Community Based Programs Fund in the Total Program Amount of \$597,000.00 to Operate Crime Prevention Programming that Benefits Fort Worth Residents

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of contracts with Center for Transforming Lives and Family Pathfinders of Tarrant County from the Crime Control & Prevention District Community Based Programs Fund in the total program amount of \$597,000.00 to operate crime prevention programming that benefits Fort Worth residents.

DISCUSSION:

Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) Community Based Programs provide funding to agencies that are recommended by a selection panel and then approved by the CCPD Board of Directors (Board). This panel consisted of staff and community representatives who evaluated the proposals to ensure minimum qualifications were met and that the proposed projects met one or more of the goals of the Board.

On August 22, 2023, the Board reviewed and approved the recommendation to fund two crime prevention programs. The following programs' awards total up to \$597,000.00 and are funded by the CCPD Community Based Fund. The two programs will have a contract term of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2026 with no renewals.

Funding will be allocated as follows to each agency in Fiscal Year 2024 on a reimbursement basis:

Center for Transforming Lives (\$297,000.00) will implement the "CTL- Supportive Approach to Financial and Emotional Well Being (SAFE)" program. The program offers trauma—informed Clinical Counseling, Housing Services, Child and Family Services and Economic Mobility services to participants. Their target population are women and their children (which is the largest demographic living in poverty in Tarrant County) experiencing homelessness, survivors of intimate partner violence and/or past abuse/trauma, women with High Adverse Childhood Experience and children with behavioral concerns. This program will serve participants from All Council Districts.

Family Pathfinders of Tarrant County (\$300,000.00) will implement their Pathfinders Re-Entry Mentoring Program. The program will serve formerly incarcerated men and women by focusing on their reentry into society and providing mentoring, financial coaching, employment coaching and support. The program will focus on empowering individuals and their families and assist them finding a path to social and financial wellbeing through their Reentry Mentoring Program. This program will serve participants from all Council Districts.

Funding is budgeted in the CCPD Community Based Programs Department's CCPD Community Based Fund for the purpose of funding the CCPD Community Based Program FY24 project, as appropriated.

This M&C will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the CCPD Community Based Fund for the CCPD Community Based Prgm FY23 project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the contract. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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