

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 09/12/23

**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 23-0732

**LOG NAME:** 35FY24 CCPD UNITED COMMUNITY CENTERS INC

**SUBJECT**

(CD 8) Authorize Execution of an Agreement with United Community Centers, Inc. in the Amount Up to \$152,938.36 for the Operation of a Safe Haven Youth Program at the Bethlehem Community Center Located at 970 East Humbolt Street for Fiscal Year 2024

---

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of an agreement with United Community Centers, Inc. in the amount up to \$152,938.36 or the operation of a Safe Haven Youth Program at the Bethlehem Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024.

---

**DISCUSSION:**

The purpose of the Mayor and Council Communication is to authorize the execution of an agreement with United Community Centers, Inc. in the amount up to \$152,938.36 for the operation of a Safe Haven Youth Program at the Bethlehem Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024. Youth Safe Havens are places where children in targeted neighborhoods can play and learn with other children without fear of being victims of a crime. The original Safe Haven Program was operated in the southeast part of Fort Worth and was later expanded to other neighborhoods in Fort Worth. The Safe Haven Youth Program at the Bethlehem Center is a prevention program operated by the United Community Center. The program provides after school programming for at-risk children and youth. The program also seeks to address factors that lead to at-risk behavior at home and school. During the course of the year, a typical participant will spend more than 1,000 hours participating in cultural, sport, and educational activities. The participating children and youth primarily live in the 76104 zip code.

This Agreement will be effective for one year beginning October 1, 2023, and end on September 30, 2024, with no renewals.

Funding will be budgeted in the Other Contractual Services account within the Crime Control and Prev Distr Operating Fund for Fiscal Year 2024.

This program serves COUNCIL DISTRICT 8.

---

**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation and adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget by the City Council, funds will be available in the Fiscal Year 2024 operating budget, as appropriated, in the Crime Control & Prev Distr Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

**Submitted for City Manager's Office by:** Fernando Costa 6122

**Originating Business Unit Head:** Neil Noakes 4212

**Additional Information Contact:** Liz Garza 5571  
Alex Acosta 4236