

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35ALLIANCE FOR CHILDREN FY21

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Agreement with Alliance for Children in the Amount of \$103,600.00 to Continue Operation of the Advocacy Center for Fiscal Year 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of an agreement with Alliance for Children in the amount of \$103,600.00 to assist with the funding of the Child Abuse Prevention Programs in the City of Fort Worth for Fiscal Year 2021.

DISCUSSION:

Alliance for Children is a local children's advocacy center that seeks to protect the children of Tarrant County from abuse. Alliance for Children provides coordination efforts to local agencies investigating child abuse in order to reduce the emotional trauma of child abuse victims and to improve the justice system's response to child abuse. Alliance for Children unites efforts between public agencies to enlist community support, provide public education about child abuse, and recruit volunteers.

The Fiscal Year 2021 Budget will include the amount of \$103,600.00 to reimburse Alliance for Children for operating expenses and two salaried positions and is funded by the Crime Control and Prevention District Fund. The amount includes the cost to lease the Southland facility that was previously approved in M&C C-28969.

Funding will be allocated as follows:

1. Children's Advocacy Center in the amount of \$73,600.00; and
2. Southland Lease in the amount of \$30,000.00.

The term of the agreement will be October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds will be available contingent on the approval of the Fiscal Year 2021 operating budget appropriation in the Crime Control & Prev Distr Fund to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreement. Funding is anticipated to be available shortly after October 1, 2020. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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