

City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35FY26 CCPD EMERGING PARTNERS PROGRAM GRANTS Q1

SUBJECT

(CD 3, CD 5, CD 6, CD 8 and CD 11) Authorize Execution of Fiscal Year 2026 Crime Control and Prevention District Emerging Partners Program Contracts with Como Lions Heart and Tarrant County Homeless Coalition dba Partnership Home in a Combined Total Amount Up to \$502,045.00 to Operate Crime Prevention Programming that Benefits Fort Worth Residents

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of Fiscal Year 2026 Crime Control and Prevention District Emerging Partners Program contracts with Como Lions Heart and Tarrant County Homeless Coalition dba Partnership Home in a total combined amount up to \$502,045.00 to operate crime prevention programming that benefits Fort Worth residents.

DISCUSSION:

The Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) Emerging Partners Program provides funding to agencies that are recommended by a selection panel and then approved by the CCPD Board of Directors (Board). The selection panel, consisting of staff and community representatives, evaluates the proposals to ensure minimum qualifications are met and that proposed projects meet one or more of the goals of the Board.

On August 19, 2025, the Board reviewed and approved the recommendation to fund two crime prevention programs. The combined awards total up to \$502,045.00 and are funded by the CCPD FY26 Emerging Partners Program Fund. The two Program grants will have a contract term of October 1, 2025 through December 31, 2028 with no renewals. The parties may extend the contracts by mutual agreement to accomplish administrative closeout activities associated with the programs.

Fiscal Year 2026 funding will be allocated during the term of each contract on a reimbursement basis as follows:

Como Lions Heart (\$250,000.00) will implement their program "Friday Night Lights" to offer mentorship, life skills workshops, career guidance, and a safe space for Lake Como youth aged 5-25. The program aims to reduce crime, promote positive decision-making, and help youth explore career opportunities, fostering personal growth and community engagement through ongoing support and collaboration. The program will serve participants in council district 6.

Tarrant County Homeless Coalition dba Partnership Home (\$252,045.00) will implement their program "Stable Homes, Stable Schools" to improve education outcomes by addressing safety, habitability, and other issues at affordable units that lead to chronic absenteeism and high mobility rates in area elementary schools. With increased coordination, communication, and targeted financial resources, the program aims to improve safety and reduce crime in Class C properties. The program will serve participants in council districts 3, 5, 6, 8, and 11.

Funding is budgeted in the CCPD Community Based Fund for the CCPD Emerging Partners Programs Department for the purpose of funding the FY 26 Emerging Partners project.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current budget, as previously appropriated, in the CCPD Community Based Fund for the FY26 Emerging Partners Program project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the contracts. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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