

# City of Austin



## Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2992, Agenda Item #: 28.

9/17/2020

## Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a one-year contract with Family Eldercare Inc. to fund and administer the Emergency Rental Assistance- Homeless Assistance Program for households impacted by the economic impacts of COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

## Lead Department

Neighborhood Housing and Community Development.

#### Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the amended Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Operating Budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department. The funding is grant funding released from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant on July 22, 2020 as part the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security, or CARES Act funds. There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

#### Prior Council Action:

May 21, 2020, Council approved an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of emergency grant funding in the amount of \$4,620,659 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 relief programs (CDBG-CV); and amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department Operating Budget by appropriating the \$4,620,659 accepted from HUD for CDBG-CV-based COVID-19 relief programs.

### For More Information:

Contact Rosie Truelove, Director, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development (NHCD), 512-974-3064; or Fernando Hernandez-Garza, Neighborhood Development Program Manager, 512-974-3114.

#### Additional Backup Information:

Family Eldercare is a specialized provider of senior and homeless services with more than 20 years of experience. If approved, the contract will require Family Eldercare to provide Emergency Rental Assistance to homeless households who have been impacted by the economic impacts of COVID-19. The Program will assist at least 272 clients. The contract term will be from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

The program will provide up to three months of rent to the homeless population. Each client must have an income level at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and meet asset guidelines that are set by Family Eldercare.

Neighborhood Housing Community Development (NHCD) Department designates Family Eldercare, Inc. as a subrecipient for the Emergency Rental Assistance -Homeless Assistance Program contract for fiscal year 2020 -2021.

#### Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.

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