



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3242, Agenda Item #: 38.

10/14/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a subaward agreement with The Other Ones Foundation to provide case management services for individuals experiencing homelessness, in the amount of \$77,852 as part of the Austin Riverside Project.

Lead Department

Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$77,852 is available in a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance Program for the period of October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022. A City funding match is not required.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The City Manager's Office reviewed this grant for alignment as directed by Resolution 20200611-096 and recommends approval.

Funding in the amount of \$77,852 is available in a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance Program for the period of October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022.

As a grant sub recipient, The Other Ones Foundation (TOOF) will hire one full-time case manager to work with clients experiencing homelessness in the grant area. The case manager will office at the Esperanza Community and will provide supportive services to clients experiencing homelessness in the grant area. Services will be provided using a person-centered, strengths-based, trauma informed, and harm-reduction perspective.

The case management program offered by TOOF has a strong focus on accessing resources, focusing on housing, and moving forward towards goals relating to ending a person's homeless situation. The case manager's caseload will be racially and culturally diverse. We anticipate this case manager to serve up to 15 clients at a time. Funding will also allow TOOF to hire six individuals experiencing homelessness in the grant area to work with the TOOF Workforce First program. This is an alternative employment program, where individuals experiencing homelessness are offered the opportunity to work in service of the community as an alternative to panhandling. Participants engage in the work of large-scale environmental clean-up, subsidized housing improvements, public art maintenance, and sheltered animal enrichment.

This subaward will fund one crew (six individuals) for five hours a week at a rate of \$15 per hour in the designated grant area. We anticipate that these individuals will support the maintenance of the mobile hygiene unit that TOOF deploys to the area every Thursday, participate in graffiti removal, and pick up trash on the esplanade, the tunnels, and around the grant area.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety.