



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#23-1045

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: November 7, 2023

TITLE: Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of a First Amendment to City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2022 Not for Profit Service Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness, Inc., for the Fort Lauderdale Housing Navigation Program in an Additional Amount not to Exceed \$315,260 - (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission adopt a Resolution approving and authorizing execution of a First Amendment to City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2022 Not for Profit Service Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness, Inc., for the Fort Lauderdale Housing Navigation Program in an additional amount not to exceed \$315,260.

Background

The Fort Lauderdale Housing Navigation Program was launched in July 2022 with the goal to provide street outreach services, complete entry assessments, and connect homeless individuals with appropriate housing from emergency shelter, transitional housing, and/or permanent supportive housing. The program also offers referral services for case management, mental health services, substance abuse treatment, reunification programs, veteran's service, attaining identification, food stamps and other basic needs.

The Fort Lauderdale Housing Navigation Program is a partnership between Neighbor Support, Fort Lauderdale Police Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), the Fire Department's Mobile Organizers Orienting Resources (for) Empowerment (M.O.O.R.E.) Team, along with Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness, Inc. In Fiscal Year 2023, the Housing Navigation Program housed 25 individuals/families and helped reunify three others from a pool of 43 identified chronically homeless individuals/families, successfully achieving a 65% housing rate.

On December 6, 2022, the City Commission approved an agreement for \$157,630 (Exhibit 1). The current amendment addresses two changes: 1) Expands services to include two additional Housing Navigators. The Housing Navigation Team includes four Housing Navigators and a Housing Locator which will cost \$315,260 for Fiscal Year 2024.

2) Extends the current agreement which terminates on December 21, 2023, to September 30, 2023. With the additional team, the goal is to achieve a 75% housing success rate in FY 2024.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact for an amount not to exceed \$315,260 for two Taskforce Navigation teams.

Funds available as of October 19, 2023					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
10-001-1450-512-30-3299	Division of Neighbor Support	Services/ Materials/ Other Services	\$411,110	\$408,710	\$315,260
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$315,260

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2024 *Commission Annual Action Plan* Priority, advancing Housing Accessibility initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- Neighborhood Enhancement
- Goal 4: Build a thriving and inclusive community of neighborhoods.
- Objective: Work with partners to reduce homelessness by promoting independence and self-worth through advocacy, housing and comprehensive services.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community*.

Attachments

- Exhibit 1 – Taskforce Agreement FY 2022
- Exhibit 2 – First Amendment Taskforce Agreement
- Exhibit 3 – Resolution

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