

CITY COUNCIL ACTION REQUEST

Department(s): Housing	CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP10-066(e), Services that involved no physical changes to the environment	Coordination: Library, CMO Budget, CAO	Dept. Approval: /s/ Jacky Morales-Ferrand
Council District(s): Citywide			CMO Approval: 

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH PATH TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HOMELESS OUTREACH SERVICES AND STAFF TRAINING AT MARTIN LUTHER KING PUBLIC LIBRARY

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Third Amendment to a grant agreement with People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) to increase funding by \$75,000 and amend the scope of services to support additional services for the PATH San José Homeless Outreach Program for a total grant award not to exceed \$335,000.

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

PATH's current homeless street outreach team serves high-needs individuals living on the streets of downtown San José. PATH's field-based case management team consists of three outreach workers under the guidance of a regional manager, with clinical oversight provided by a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW). This multi-disciplinary team provides services to people experiencing homelessness in San José by blending street outreach and case management with the goal of placing people into housing.

On September 15, 2015, City Council approved a grant award to PATH in the amount of \$248,968 and approved the grant agreement to provide Downtown Homeless Outreach services. The First amendment, executed on April 11, 2016, revised the funding sources with no change to the scope of services or the total award amount. The Second Amendment, executed on July 5, 2016, included the addition of \$260,000 for FY2016-17.

Given the considerable need for services in the downtown area and the high volume of homeless patrons currently frequenting the Martin Luther King (MLK) public library, the PATH Library Outreach pilot program will expand PATH's existing downtown outreach program to include an additional dedicated outreach worker to serve individuals at the library site. This expansion will allow PATH to launch a Master of Social Work (MSW) intern program in partnership with San José State University. PATH will dedicate a minimum of one outreach worker 30 hours per week as well as two 16 hours per week clinical interns to support the housing and service needs of homeless individuals at the MLK public library. PATH will collaborate with library staff to survey and identify vulnerable homeless individuals. The team will engage these individuals to identify their needs, issues and barriers, connect them to services, and link them to appropriate permanent housing resources. PATH will also provide regular communication with Library staff and conduct quarterly trainings on outreach and crisis intervention techniques.

The recommended contract amendment with PATH will be for a one-year term, with an option for a one-year extension, at the City's discretion. Extensions will be granted based on the contractor's performance and the availability of funding from the City's Budget.

COST AND FUNDING SOURCE:

The total cost of the PATH agreement is \$335,000. The existing \$250,000 agreement was funded by federal ESG funds. The additional \$75,000 will be funded from the annual allocation of Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund that may be used for homeless programs.

Fund #	Appn #	Appn. Name	Total Appn	Amt. for Contract	Adopted Budget (Page)	Last Budget Action (Date, Ord. No.)
346	3050	Homeless Services	\$250,000	\$75,000	X-53	6/21/16, Ord. 29762

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