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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE PROGRAM YEAR
2020 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT–CARES ACT PROGRAM
CONTRACT BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND TARRANT
COUNTY HANDS OF HOPE FOR STREET OUTREACH ESSENTIAL
SERVICES RELATED TO COVID-19 RESPONSE**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve Amendment No. 4 to the Program Year (PY) 2020 Emergency Solutions Grant–CARES Act (ESG-CV) Program Contract between Tarrant County and Tarrant County Hands of Hope for Street Outreach Essential Services related to the COVID-19 response.

BACKGROUND

Hands of Hope provides Street Outreach Essential Services which meets the immediate needs of people experiencing homelessness in unsheltered locations by connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and providing them with urgent, non-facility-based care.

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed into law, providing supplemental funding allocations to Tarrant County as an Urban Entitlement County.

On May 5, 2020, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #132721, approved the 2020 Action Plan which included provisions for the Tarrant County ESG-CV program.

On March 9, 2021, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #134947, approved the initial contract between Tarrant County and Tarrant County Hands of Hope for funding in the amount of \$111,090.00 for the provision of Street Outreach Services and Supply Expenses related to the COVID-19 response.

On April 12, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #137883, approved Amendment No. 1, increasing funding to \$141,090.00 and extending the contract through September 30, 2022 to align with guidance received from HUD.

On September 13, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #139092, approved Amendment No. 2, extending the contract through September 30, 2023 to align with guidance received from HUD.

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| SUBMITTED BY: | Community Development | PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY: | Janel Holt James A. McClinton |
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On November 1, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #139558, approved Amendment No. 3, increasing funding to \$309,090.00 and extending the contract through June 30, 2024 to align with guidance received from HUD.

With approval of Amendment No. 4, Tarrant County will provide Tarrant County Hands of Hope with \$5,305.05 in additional unallocated ESG-CV grant funds to close out this grant. The unallocated ESG-CV funds will be used to reimburse costs allocated during the service term. Total reimbursement will not exceed \$314,395.05.

This agreement covers eligible services provided by Tarrant County Hands of Hope during the period of March 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024. Final reports must be received by Tarrant County by September 30, 2024.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has reviewed this contract as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT

Costs associated with administration of this contract are paid with grant funds through Grant #E-20-UW-48-0001-CV. There are no match requirements.