



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 02/06/2024

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH PRISON TO PURPOSE
TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SERVICES TO TARRANT COUNTY**

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve a grant agreement between Tarrant County and Prison to Purpose to provide support services to the residents of Tarrant County.

BACKGROUND

Commissioner, Precinct 2's Community Organization Program was created to support proactive and hard-working organizations in Tarrant County. The program targets organizations whose goals are to better the community and help citizens in need. Some examples of related initiatives may include Youth Programs, Public Health (Physical and Mental), Housing, Education and Criminal Justice Reform. Prison to Purpose has been selected to receive program funds.

Prison to Purpose is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that is designed to help ex-offenders re-acclimate to society in Tarrant County. It is a faith-based organization that seeks to teach, guide, and mentor participants into a healthier lifestyle by offering personal and professional enrichment courses.

The organization offers a comprehensive twelve (12) week curriculum-based workshop on personal development, life and job readiness skills, and cognitive behavior. Participants are assigned personal mentors. At the conclusion of the course, there is a graduation ceremony, where graduates are given new business attire and other essentials. In addition, Prison to Purpose offers mental health talk therapy sessions and chiropractic services for participants who require a little extra care, at no cost to them.

If awarded, funding in the amount of \$9,000.00 will be used to ensure that participants are able to visit licensed therapists to assist in a successful transition. Additionally, \$1,500.00 will be used to purchase proven curriculum books and other classroom necessities for classes offered at two (2) locations.

The contract has been approved as to form by the Criminal District Attorney's Office.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding in the amount of \$10,500.00 is available in account 26100-2024 Road and Bridge Fund/621010000 Precinct 2/579061 County Projects. This funding was included in the General Fund transfer approved during the FY 2024 budget process.

SUBMITTED BY:	Commissioner PCT 2	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Gabriel Rivas
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