



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2025 REFUGEE MEDICAL SCREENING BASE CONTRACT BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND THE U.S. COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH SCREENINGS AS PART OF THE TARRANT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH REFUGEE PROGRAM

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider the FY 2025 Refugee Medical Screening Base Contract (FY2025-TARTX-09) between Tarrant County and the U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI) for the provision of health screenings as part of the Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) Refugee Program.

BACKGROUND

TCPH receives funding in the form of annual grant contracts to provide a variety of Public Health services within Tarrant County. The TCPH Refugee Program works in cooperation with the USCRI, a non-profit, non-governmental organization that has served refugees and immigrants since 2011. This partnership provides incoming displaced individuals from around the world with medical screenings for infectious diseases, initial health assessments, referrals, and follow-up vaccination services. Services include the review of available medical history, screening tests for diseases such as Tuberculosis, HIV, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and parasitic infections. Limited health screenings such as pregnancy tests, cholesterol screenings, complete blood count with differentials, blood lead level screening, a nutritional assessment and mental health screening are also performed to identify an immediate need for referrals and medical follow-ups. Vaccinations are provided as needed for all adults and all children upon arrival. Immunization services are available through the Refugee Clinic for up to one (1) year post arrival into the United States.

On September 19, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #141761, approved the FY 2024 Refugee Medical Screening Base Contract in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,642,540.80 to reimburse Tarrant County for providing the general health screening services listed above. The term of the contract is October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.

The FY 2025 Base Contract presented for consideration sets forth the terms of this partnership and if approved, USCRI will reimburse Tarrant County an amount not-to-exceed \$2,828,028.00 to continue providing medical screenings to eligible populations. The term of the contract is October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

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

SUBMITTED BY:	Public Health	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Patricia Whitling Dr. Gary Kesling
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FISCAL IMPACT

The award for this grant will be \$2,828,028.00.

This grant does not require a grant match.

Indirect cost is allowed and included.

There is no operating subsidy for this grant.

All associated costs will be paid from grant fund allocations in F0087-2025.