



# COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH MY HEALTH MY RESOURCES OF TARRANT COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE HELP ME THRIVE PROGRAM THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMUNITY-BASED CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT INNOVATION GRANT**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the FY 2024 Subrecipient Agreement with My Health My Resources of Tarrant County (MHMRTC) to support the Help Me Thrive (HMT) Program through the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Innovation Grant.

**BACKGROUND**

In 2021, Tarrant County Public Health received the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Innovation Grant from Texas DFPS to develop, implement, and learn from innovations that promote the safety and well-being of children, families, and communities, and provide relief to address the continued impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

On August 1, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #141391, approved Notice of Award, No. 2024-01, from DFPS to award Tarrant County \$525,000.00 in FY 2024 Prevention and Early Intervention Community Youth Development Grant funding, and an additional \$150,000.00 in FY 2024 CBCAP Innovation Grant funding under the statutory authority of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Total award is \$675,000.00. The grant funding period for this award is effective September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.

The HMT Program is a system framework that will enhance and build on the existing Help Me Grow (HMG) North Texas system framework (prenatal through age 5) to develop and enhance a comprehensive approach to supporting families with children and youth ages 6 to 17 with identifying needs, connecting to services and support, and assuring resources are available. In addition, the HMT system model will further enhance the existing Mental Health System of Care bringing together providers and families to identify gaps in services through data analysis and evaluation and pursue opportunities to develop services and support needed to close those gaps.

With approval of this Agreement, Tarrant County will reimburse MHMRTC an amount not to exceed to \$135,000.00 in CBCAP ARPA Innovation Grant funds to advance the HMT Program. The funding period for this Agreement is September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024.

SUBMITTED BY:	Public Health	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Jodi Newton
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This Agreement has been approved as to form by the Criminal District Attorney's Office.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding in the amount of \$135,000.00 is available in grant account F0140-2024.

There is no match requirement, indirect cost, or operating subsidy required for this grant.

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