



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE: 09/05/2023

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 CONTRACT BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND YOUTH ADVOCATE PROGRAMS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF LIFE SKILLS, SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION AND COUNSELING SERVICES TO JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

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

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the FY 2024 contract renewal between Tarrant County and Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (YAP) for the provision of life skills, substance abuse education and counseling services to the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP).

**BACKGROUND**

YAP is a non-profit organization that provides evidence-based life skills curriculum, substance abuse education, and counseling services.

JJAEP provides behavioral and therapeutic intervention in an academic setting for youth involved in the juvenile justice system. The program is administered by Tarrant County Juvenile Services, which contracts with YAP to increase core social and emotional competencies of JJAEP students to improve school achievements, reduce alcohol/drug use, and decrease involvement with the Juvenile Justice System.

On October 11, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #139386, approved a contract with Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 to provide life skills, substance abuse education and counseling services to JJAEP participants.

If approved, YAP will continue to provide services to students attending the JJAEP. The term of the contract is October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, at an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00.

This contract has been reviewed as to form by the Criminal District Attorney’s Office and approved by the Tarrant County Juvenile Board at the August 16, 2023, Board meeting.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding for this program in the amount of \$45,000.00 is provided by County funding contingent upon approval by Commissioners Court of the FY 2024 budget.

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