

# CITY OF LONG BEACH

# R-9

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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October 9, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) for up to \$200,000 annually, for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015, and increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) in the amount of \$185,000. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

The Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG) consists of 27 cities that meet regularly to strategize on the resolution of regionally relevant issues. In 2008, the COG submitted a proposal for funding in response to the County of Los Angeles' Request For Proposals in response to the Homeless Prevention Initiative (HPI). The Gateway Cities COG was awarded \$1.16 million annually for three years, to complete a regional Homelessness Strategy.

In March 2011, the COG adopted the Gateway Cities Homeless Action Plan, crafted through funding from the County of Los Angeles. Key elements of the Plan include identifying homeless "hot spots" and encampments, facilitating rapid re-housing for individuals and families, and developing permanent housing opportunities with needed supportive services. PATH has been selected by the COG as the consultant to coordinate implementation of the strategy and to subcontract with each of four Local Coordinating Alliances (LCA). Long Beach is the lead City for the LCA 4, working with the cities of Lakewood, Signal Hill, Hawaiian Gardens, Avalon and County Unincorporated areas. Each LCA has been awarded \$185,000 for the first year and up to \$200,000 for each of the following years, with the plan to fund this project at similar annual amounts for a total of three years, to provide street outreach, engagement and housing placement services, while coordinating efforts across the 27 cities Regional Action Plan.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on September 12, 2012 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on September 17, 2012.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on October 9, 2012 in order to commence street outreach engagement and housing placement within the LCA 4 region.

FISCAL IMPACT

An increase in appropriations in the amount of \$185,000 has been included in the recommendation. There is no City match, and no impact to the General Fund associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:


Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

  
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CITY MANAGER