

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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January 15, 2019

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an amendment to Agreement No. 34872, and any subsequent amendments including changing the terms, extend the grant period, or increase grant amounts, with People Assisting the Homeless to receive and expend grant funding in the amount of \$60,000, to provide street outreach, engagement, and housing placement services, for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. (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 Gateway Cities COG was awarded \$1.16 million through the County of Los Angeles' Homeless Prevention Initiative (HPI). The funding would support the development of a regional Homelessness Strategy and subsequent Gateway Cities Homeless Action Plan. 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. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has continued to approve funding for the provision of homeless services.

People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) was selected by the COG as the consultant to coordinate implementation 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, and Avalon and County unincorporated areas. The City of Long Beach has been awarded \$60,000 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, to provide street outreach, engagement, and housing placement services, while coordinating efforts across the 27 cities in the Regional Action Plan.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on December 12, 2018 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on December 19, 2018.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on January 15, 2019, to commence street outreach, engagement, and housing placement within the LCA 4 region.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The total funding amount will be \$60,000, for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE). No match or in-kind service mandate is required, and there is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

DIRECTOR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER