



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. IX. AA
3/25/2025

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Continuum of Care Program Grant Agreement with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and associated Operating Agreements with Homeless Alliance, Inc., \$288,520; Sisu Youth, Inc., \$51,812; Sisu Youth, Inc., \$477,859; and authorizing the execution of necessary documents.

Background:

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program provides funding and planning support to local, nonprofit service providers to help them identify, prioritize, and meet the needs of homeless individuals with disabilities or families with a disabled head of household. In Oklahoma City, the Program emphasizes quickly rehousing homeless individuals, families, youth, and persons fleeing domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking, while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness. The Program promotes access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families to optimize their self-sufficiency.

On September 28, 2023, Planning Staff submitted an application for 22 CoC projects (19 renewal projects, one new project, and two expansion projects) to be funded with COC FY 23 program funds. On February 26, 2024, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) informed the City that all 22 projects had been approved for funding. After HUD consolidated two of the projects, a total of 21 projects were awarded. However, there is generally a significant time gap between when HUD notifies of project award and when they provide the actual Grant Agreements which are prerequisite to funding the projects.

In addition to the Grant Agreement with HUD, Operating Agreements to provider organizations for three of the projects are being submitted for approval today. The CoC Program does not operate on the City or Federal Fiscal Year and project performance periods are determined by the date awarded organizations first began providing services during their initial grant term. Operating Agreements with provider organizations cannot be approved without contracts with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, which were only recently received.

Projects will be operated by Sisu Youth, Inc. and Homeless Alliance, Inc., and will provide permanent housing solutions and services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

Cost:

\$818,191 in federal funding.

Source of Funds:

Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness
Demonstration Program – OK0189Y6I022301 (1906-2408080-G80456)

Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness
Demonstration Program – OK0188Y6I022301 (1906-2408080-G80455)

Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness
Demonstration Program – OK0185Y6I022301 (1906-2408080-G80453)

Review:

Planning

Recommendation: Resolution be adopted.