



# MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda  
Item No. IX. W  
12/6/2022

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Resolution approving the 2020 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Agreements with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and Operating Agreements with Hope Community Services, Inc., OK0186Y6I021900, \$300,000; Sisu Youth Services, OK0189Y6I021900, \$919,718; Sisu Youth Services, OK0188Y6I021900, \$103,624; Sisu Youth Services, OK0190Y6I021900, \$993,329; and the Homeless Alliance, Inc., OK0185Y6I021900, \$554,226; and authorizing the Mayor to sign needed documents, agreements and modifications relating to the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program.

### **Background:**

On September 15, 2021, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) selected Oklahoma City to receive Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Federal grant funding. The initial two-year \$3,028,026.33 grant was awarded to the City of Oklahoma City as the YHDP's lead organization.

Since October 2021, a group of stakeholders - including youth with the lived experience of homelessness - have worked together to develop a Coordinated Community Plan (CCP), that describes the vision, goals and necessary steps our community will take to address youth homelessness.

An open solicitation was issued on May 2, 2022, that sought proposals from eligible organizations to implement projects for the 2020 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, as defined in the CCP. Eight (8) proposals were received on May 20, 2022.

On May 26, 2022 the YHDP Project Review and Ranking Committee met to evaluate all eight (8) proposals and recommended five (5) projects for funding.

The Youth Action Board met on June 7, 2022 and approved the recommendations of the Review and Ranking Committee. The Continuum of Care Board met on June 10, 2022, and unanimously approved the recommended agencies and allocation amounts for inclusion in the application.

On August 2, 2022 the City Council approved submittal of the application to HUD to fund the five (5) new projects and for Planning Project Grant funds. HUD has approved Agreements for the five (5) projects being submitted today. The Agreement related to Planning Project Grant funds will be submitted once final documentation is received from HUD.

These projects will be operated by Hope Community Services, Sisu Youth Services and the Homeless Alliance, and will provide transitional and permanent supportive housing for unaccompanied youth up to age 24 who are homeless, as well as drop-in and homelessness diversion services for this group. Additionally, City Planning Project Grant funds will be provided to the Planning Department to assist the City with carrying out the responsibilities of the program.

**Cost:**

\$2,870,897

**Source of Funds:**

Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – OK0186Y6I021900 (019-6140-2408080-G0000-G80410); Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – OK0189Y6I021900 (019-6140-2408080-G0000 – G80407); Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – OK0188Y6I021900 (019 – 6140-2408080-G0000-G80408); Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – OK0190Y6I021900 (019-6140-2408080-G0000-G80409); Grants Management – Department of Housing and Urban Development – Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program – OK0185Y6I021900 (019-2408080-G0000-G80406)

**Review:**

Planning

**Recommendation:** Resolution be adopted.