

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 18, 2026

Honorable Members of the Quality of Life, Arts and Culture Committee: Zarin D. Gracey (Chair), Laura Cadena (Vice Chair), Adam Bazaldua, Paul Ridley, Bill Roth,
TO Chad West, Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **May 27, 2026, City Council Item #26-1621A: Acceptance of the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Competitive Grant (Grant No. H250005, CFDA #14.241)**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information for the upcoming City Council agenda item #26-1621A for May 27, 2026, to authorize the acceptance of the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Competitive Grant (Grant No. TX-H250005, CFDA No. 14.241) from US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$780,129.00, to provide housing placement, rental assistance, and supportive services for low-income justice-impacted individuals with non-violent offenses and living with HIV/AIDS; and execute any and all agreements and other documents required by the grant, and approved as to form by the City Attorney.

Background

The City of Dallas was originally awarded the HOPWA Competitive Grant in 2007, and the HOPWA Program has been in operation for more than 18 years. To continue receiving these funds, the City is required to submit a renewal application every three years to HUD. The most recent application was submitted on July 1, 2025, and was accepted by HUD. The grant award notice was received on April 14, 2026.

Under this grant, the City will fund housing placement costs for new clients and provide ongoing monthly rental assistance for up to a total of 21 justice-impacted individuals with non-violent offenses who are living with HIV/AIDS. The grant will continue to support one part-time Housing Case Manager position, located at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, through the Office of Housing and Community Empowerment's Fresh Start Housing Program.

No matching funds are required for this grant.

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Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me or Thor Erickson, Director, Office of Housing & Community Empowerment, at Thor.Erickson@dallas.gov or 214-670-3632.

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