



Legislation Text

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:** Government Performance & Financial Management  
**AGENDA DATE:** September 27, 2023  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):** All  
**DEPARTMENT:** Office of Procurement Services  
**EXECUTIVE:** Jack Ireland

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**SUBJECT**

Authorize (1) a one-year service contract with Harmony Community Development Corporation in ~~the~~ an amount not to exceed of \$300,000; (2) a one-year service contract with Under 1 Roof in ~~the~~ an amount not to exceed of \$295,300; and (3) a one-year service contract with Crossroads Community Services, Inc. in ~~the~~ an amount not to exceed of \$204,700, for programs to mitigate Drivers of Poverty ~~for on behalf of~~ the Office of Community Care - most advantageous proposers of fifteen - Total not to exceed \$800,000 - Financing: General Fund (subject to annual appropriations)

**BACKGROUND**

~~This action does not encumber funds; the purpose of a service contract is to establish firm pricing for services, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as-needed basis.~~

~~These service~~ contracts will provide services to address for programs to mitigate Drivers of Poverty programming services for the Office of Community Care. The contracts focus on providing residents with food accessibility services, mental health services, positive youth development services, and client financial assistance services while also expanding on the work established through the Coronavirus Relief Fund. ~~Services approved through this action will address Drivers of Poverty identified in the Mayor's Task Force on Poverty, focusing on providing residents access to food and direct client assistance. Additionally, t~~These service contracts expand on the work to alleviate communities with concentrated poverty detailed in the Economic Opportunity Assessment and services are directed towards populations issues have been identified by the Mayor's Drivers of Poverty t~~Task f~~orce, will alleviate communities with concentrated poverty addressed in the Economic Opportunity Assessment, and are directed to populations as identified by the Task Force.

A seven-member committee from the following departments reviewed and evaluated the qualifications by category:

- Office of Community Care (4)
- Office of Equity and Inclusion (2)

- Office of Procurement Services (1)\*

\*The Office of Procurement Services evaluated cost and Local Preference, if applicable.

The committee selected the successful respondents on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications under the following criteria:

- Programming Work Plan 40 points
- Organizational Capacity 20 points
- Cost and Budget 25 points
- Evaluation Plan 15 points

As part of the solicitation process and in an effort to increase competition, the Office of Procurement Services used its procurement system to send out email notifications to vendors registered under relevant commodity codes. To further increase competition, the Office of Procurement Services uses historical solicitation information, the Internet, and vendor contact information obtained from user departments to contact additional vendors.

On November 10, 2015, the City Council authorized a living wage policy that requires contractors to pay their employees a “living wage” rate as established annually by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Living Wage Calculator for Dallas County by Resolution No. 15-2141. The calculated living wage during the solicitation process of this contract is \$17.82; the selected vendor meets this requirement.

**PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)**

[On September 21, 2021, the City Council authorized FY22 Biennial Budget, inclusive of funding to support Drivers of Poverty programs by Resolution No. 21-1590.](#)

On September 22, 2021, the City Council authorized a one-year service contract for programs to mitigate Drivers of Poverty for the Office of Community Care with International Rescue Committee, Dallas Leadership Foundation, Harmony Community Development Corporation, CitySquare, and After-School All-Stars by Resolution No. 21-1562.

On September 28, 2022, the City Council authorized the FY23 Biennial Budget, inclusive of funding to support Drivers of Poverty programs by Resolution No. 22-1424.

On September 28, 2022, the City Council authorized a (1) two-year service contract for programs to mitigate Drivers of Poverty for the Office of Community Care with Harmony Community Development Corporation and After-School All-Stars; and (2) a one-year service contract for programs to mitigate Drivers of Poverty for the Office of Community Care with Bridge Steps dba The Bridge and I Look Like Love, Inc. dba iLookLikeLOVE, Inc. for the Office of Community Care by Resolution No. 22-1467.



*Harmony Community Development Corporation	6969 Pastor Bailey Dr. Dallas, TX 75237	Multiple Groups
*Under 1 Roof	5787 S. Hampton Rd. Ste. 390 Dallas, TX 75232	Multiple Groups
*Crossroads Community Services, <a href="#">Inc.</a>	4500 S. Cockrell Hill Rd. Dallas, TX 75236	Multiple Groups
Catholic Charities, of Dallas Inc.	1421 W. Mockingbird Ln. Dallas, TX 75247	Multiple Groups
CitySquare	1610 S. Malcolm X Blvd Dallas, TX 75226	Multiple Groups
Dallas Leadership Foundation	5200 East Grand Ave. Ste. 530 Dallas, TX 75223	Multiple Groups
First Presbyterian Church of Dallas dba The Stewpot	1822 Young St. Dallas, TX 75201	Multiple Groups
International Rescue Committee	6500 Greenville Ave. Dallas, TX 75206	Multiple Groups
Network of Community Ministries	1500 International Pkwy. Ste. 300 Richardson, TX 75081	Multiple Groups
Nexus Recovery Center	8733 La Prada Dr. Dallas, TX 75228	Multiple Groups
Services of Hope Entities, Inc.	5470 Ellsworth Ave. Ste. 500 Dallas, TX 75206	Multiple Groups
Bridge Steps dba The Bridge	1818 Corsicana St. Dallas, TX 75201	Multiple Groups
The Gleaning Network of Texas dba GROW NTX	1451 John West Rd. Dallas, TX 75228	Multiple Groups
The Salvation Army	5302 Harry Hines Blvd. Dallas, TX 75235	Multiple Groups
WiNGS	2603 Inwood Rd. Dallas, TX 75235	Multiple Groups

**OWNERS/EXECUTIVES**

**Harmony Community Development Corporation**

Mark Porter, Executive Director

**Crossroads Community Services, [Inc.](#)**

Benaye Wadkins Chambers, President

**Under 1 Roof**

Verna Jones, Executive Director