



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Human Services

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Melody Woosley

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** City-Wide

### **SUBJECT:**

Pre-Solicitation Briefing for FY 2022 - 2023 Human Services Consolidated Funding Process

### **SUMMARY:**

This item provides an overview of the Human Services Consolidated Funding process and pending solicitation to include a background and funding history of nonprofit services investments. Additionally, staff will brief City Council on the timeline for the FY 2022 - FY 2023 funding cycle, planned process improvements, and policy action for City Council input.

Once responses are received and reviewed, staff will return to provide another presentation and recommendation for awards.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The City's consolidated funding process aims to direct investments toward providing effective and comprehensive social services, maximizing human services outcomes, advancing community equity principles and increasing nonprofit service provision coordination to avoid duplication of services.

The programs funded in the FY 2021 Consolidated Funding Process (CFP) reflect City Council priorities of promoting long-term and short-term children and youth, family safety and stability, homeless, older adult, and workforce development services through support of community prevention and intervention programming. The programs funded in FY 2021 specifically complement the direct services offered by the City Departments of Human Services and Economic Development. A total of \$24.3 million was allocated in FY 2021 to 60 agencies

and 90 programs from the general fund (\$20.6 million) and federal grants (\$3.7 million).

The City has partnered with nonprofit social service agencies since 1979. Starting in 2005, the Human Services (DHS) and Economic Development (EDD) Departments have issued a two-year Consolidated Request for Proposal (RFP) for Human and Workforce Development services. This two-year consolidated funding cycle streamlines the application process for eligible agencies and facilitates the contract monitoring process. The Mayor and City Council provide staff with policy direction to guide funding recommendations for each biennial period. Awarded agencies receive a one-year contract with the option to renew for one additional year based on performance and funding availability.

The FY 2022 - FY 2023 Consolidated Funding Process is proposed to continue funding towards short and long-term human services outcomes. Funding traditionally dedicated to Workforce Development Services is recommended to be issued through a separate competitive process by the Economic Development Department as part of a consolidated proposal focused on support for City of San Antonio workforce initiatives.

#### **ISSUE:**

This item provides an overview and timeline of the Human Services Consolidated Funding Process, including a history of funding and an overview of the services and programs operated by the nonprofit agencies that the City currently funds. The item also includes a timeline of events for the FY 2022 - FY 2023 funding cycle, process improvements, and policy action for City Council input.

This is a high-profile solicitation.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

This item is for briefing purpose only.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This item is for briefing purpose only.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

This item is for briefing purpose only.