



COMMISSIONERS COURT CONTRACT FORM

CONTRACT SUMMARY

Approve and Authorize the County Judge to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of El Paso and Community Partners of El Paso Inc., updating the funding mechanism and roles and responsibilities for our support of child welfare needs for El Paso children who are urgently removed from a home setting and placed in foster care. Funding available in GF-CHILDWBRD-OPS EXP-GEN. (Contract 2022-0398)

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND:

This partnership was established by the now defunct El Paso County Child Welfare Board more than a decade ago to support the emergency needs of children in our community who are removed from a neglectful environment by Child Protective Services (CPS) and urgently placed in foster care. Community Partners of El Paso stocks and manages the Rainbow Room closet in our community that directly provides emergency items for children under CPS care. When the County dissolved the Child Welfare Board in 2010, the County through a small budget appropriation under General Assistance continued to support Community Partners of El Paso and CPS to meet the urgent clothing and personal care needs of children in the foster care system. We had been collaborating with Community Partners of El Paso under an outdated evergreen MOU from 2013. This updated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) amends the prior MOU summarizing allowable services to include other non-emergency child welfare needs such as purchase of toddler beds, lock boxes and fire extinguishers for foster care providers to comply with state care regulations, update reimbursement rates for child crisis service providers who provide emergency shelter for children in CPS care, , purchase of more items for the Rainbow Room closet, establish a fiscal year term date, set new funding amounts and outline both parties' responsibilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding is budgeted and available in GF-CHILDWBRD-OPS EXP-GEN, COGF-1000-0000000-431-40-40000-0291-00000-600309-\$30,000. This is an \$20,000.00 increase of the prior MOU amount of \$10,000.00. The increase reflects the updated allowable services and will not impact the general fund.

PRIOR COURT ACTION:

8-26-13 CC MOU Approval Agenda Item 13

RECOMMENDATION:

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BASIC CONTRACT DETAILS

CONTRACT NO.: 2022-0912

CONTRACT TITLE: Support of Rainbow Room / CPS Emergency Resource Services / MOU

SECOND PARTY: Community Partners of El Paso

CONTRACT TYPE: Memorandum of Understanding

TERM AND BUDGET DETAILS

TERM: 1 Year

EXTENSION OPTIONS:

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/1/2022

MOD EFFECTIVE DATE (If Applicable):

EXPIRATION DATE: 09/30/2023

MOD EXPIRATION DATE (If Applicable):

EXTENSION DEADLINE DATE (If Applicable):

AMOUNT: \$30,000.00

MOD AMOUNT (If Applicable):

APPROVALS

COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL

The attached document has been given legal review by the El Paso County Attorney's Office on behalf of the County of El Paso, its officers, and employees. Said legal review should not be relied upon by any person or entity other than the County of El Paso, its officers, and employees.

COUNTY ATTORNEY: Donnie McGilbra

LEGAL REVIEW: Approved as to Form as Submitted

LEGAL REVIEW NOTES (If Applicable):

DATE: 12/7/2022

DIRECTOR/DEPARTMENT HEAD APPROVAL

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the contract, understands and approves the contract terms and conditions and further certifies that the contract conforms to the bid specification, if any, and acknowledges that he/she is responsible for administering all terms and conditions.

DIRECTOR/DEPARTMENT HEAD/DESIGNEE: Irene G. Valenzuela

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Carlos Marquez

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

DATE: 12/06/2022