

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team

at MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org by **3:00pm on Monday**. Contact the Mayor's Legislative team with questions

Please mark one: Bill Request or Resolution Request

Date of Request: _____

1. Type of Request:

- Contract/Grant Agreement Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Rezoning/Text Amendment
 Dedication/Vacation Appropriation/Supplemental DRMC Change
 Other:

2. Title: (Start with *approves, amends, dedicates*, etc., include name of company or contractor and indicate the type of request: grant acceptance, contract execution, contract amendment, municipal code change, supplemental request, etc.)

Amends a contract with Empowerment Program, Inc., by adding \$382,152 for a new total of \$1,054,978 and one year for a new end date of 6-30-22 to divert people with behavioral health issues into intensive case management in lieu of arrest for low level crimes as part of the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program, citywide

3. Requesting Agency: Public Health & Environment (DPHE)

4. Contact Person:

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| Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution | Contact person to present item at Mayor-Council and Council |
| Name: Will Fenton & Huyen Doan | Name: Will Fenton and Kevin Kelly |
| Email: William.Fenton@denvergov.org | Email: William.Fenton@denvergov.org |

5. General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed:

This resolution replaces a previous request and includes an additional \$17,152 towards the proposed, added amount.

To continue the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program for its fourth year in Denver. The program diverts people with behavioral health issues into intensive case management in lieu of arrest for low level crimes. The Empowerment program is sub contracted to provide the case management services. The program diverts people with behavioral health issues into intensive case management in lieu of arrest for low level crimes. Referrals come through the Denver Police Department at an officer's discretion. The officer conducts a warm hand off with a case manager who provides intensive services from a harm reduction lens. LEAD serves participants who struggle with behavioral health issues and frequently interact with law enforcement. The goal of the program is to reduce harm for those with behavioral health issues and to reduce jail bed days. LEAD operates in collaboration with DPD's District 1, 2, 6, and the Vice Unit. Officers have discretion to divert people with behavioral health issues into services from the following charges: possession of illicit substances, trespassing, shoplifting, and prostitution. Referrals are engaged in intensive case management services including housing assistance, harm reduction practices, substance use treatment, medical treatment, transportation, and the provision of basic necessities.

6. City Attorney assigned to this request (if applicable): Lee Zarzicki

7. City Council District: All

8. ****For all contracts, fill out and submit accompanying Key Contract Terms worksheet****

To be completed by Mayor's Legislative Team:

Resolution/Bill Number: RR21 0780

Date Entered: _____

Key Contract Terms

Type of Contract: (e.g. Professional Services > \$500K; IGA/Grant Agreement, Sale or Lease of Real Property):
Professional Services >\$500K

Vendor/Contractor Name: The Empowerment Program, Inc

Contract control number: ENVHL-202158938

Location: The City and County of Denver

Is this a new contract? Yes No **Is this an Amendment?** Yes No **If yes, how many?** 4

Contract Term/Duration (for amended contracts, include existing term dates and amended dates):
Existing: April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021
Amended: extend through June 30, 2022

Contract Amount (indicate existing amount, amended amount and new contract total): \$1,054,978

| <i>Current Contract Amount</i> | <i>Additional Funds</i> | <i>Total Contract Amount</i> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>(A)</i> | <i>(B)</i> | <i>(A+B)</i> |
| \$672,826 | \$382,152 | \$1,054,978 |

| <i>Current Contract Term</i> | <i>Added Time</i> | <i>New Ending Date</i> |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 4/1/18-6/30/21 | One year | 6/30/22 |

Scope of work: The Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program is entering its fourth year in Denver. The program diverts people with behavioral health issues into intensive case management in lieu of arrest for low level crimes. Referrals come through the Denver Police Department at an officer’s discretion. The officer conducts a warm hand off with a case manager who provides intensive services from a harm reduction lens. LEAD serves participants who struggle with behavioral health issues and frequently interact with law enforcement. The goal of the program is to reduce harm for those with behavioral health issues and to reduce jail bed days. The case management will be provided by the Empowerment Program.

Was this contractor selected by competitive process? Yes **If not, why not?**

Has this contractor provided these services to the City before? Yes No N/A

Source of funds: State of Colorado- Office of Behavioral Health – LEAD Program

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Is this contract subject to: W/MBE DBE SBE XO101 ACDBE N/A

WBE/MBE/DBE commitments (construction, design, Airport concession contracts):

Who are the subcontractors to this contract? None

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