

# ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team

at [MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org](mailto: MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org) by **9 a.m. Friday**. Contact the Mayor's Legislative team with questions

Date of Request: 02/15/24

Please mark one:  Bill Request or  Resolution 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.)

Approves an expenditure agreement (SAFTY-202371930) with Struggle of Love Foundation from January 2024 to December 2026, to provide community-based gang intervention and secondary gang prevention services for youth and their families in coordination with the Office of Community Violence Solutions (OCVS) in Denver Police Districts 5 and 2. These services are federally funded by the FY23 Community-based violence intervention program BJA Grant: SAFTY-202370544 and general funds.

## 3. Requesting Agency:

Department of Public Safety  
Office of Community Violence Solutions

## 4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution	Contact person to present item at Mayor-Council and Council
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## 5. General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed:

The Struggle of Love Foundation is a highly respected and successful non-profit that provides opportunities for underprivileged youth and/or families to access year-round services and programs. These programs offer alternatives to those who may not qualify for other community-based assistance programs. The Struggle of Love Foundation will serve as a critical partner in Denver's comprehensive and collaborative approach to addressing gang, group, and gun violence. The larger initiative's focused efforts invest in force-multiplying the Department of Safety's (DOS) approach to addressing and reducing community violence. The Office of Community Violence Solutions (OCVS) and Public Safety Youth Programs (PSYP) received multi-year congressional award dollars to expand existing cross-cutting strategies to align with the Denver Police Department's (DPD) hot spot policing, place network investigations, and other citywide violence reduction strategies. Coinciding with Denver's police districts, OCVS formed Community Safety Teams to implement secondary prevention strategies, violence interruption, gender-specific services, direct outreach, and faith-led initiative efforts to complement aligned missions. This service provider was one of multiple community-based vendors selected after a competitive procurement process. This agreement is funded by the FY23 Community-based violence intervention program BJA grant that was approved by Council on 10/30/2023 (Item 23-1486) and General Fund budget.

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

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7. **City Council District:**

City-Wide, Police District 2 & 5

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

**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:**

Struggle of Love Foundation

**Contract control number:**

SAFTY-202371930

**Location:**

City-Wide

Is this a new contract?  Yes  No Is this an Amendment?  Yes  No If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

**Contract Term/Duration (for amended contracts, include existing term dates and amended dates):**

SAFTY-202371930-00; This agreement, 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2026.

**Contract Amount (indicate existing amount, amended amount and new contract total):**

<i>Current Contract Amount</i> (A)	<i>Additional Funds</i> (B)	<i>Total Contract Amount</i> (A+B)
-	\$696,000	\$696,000

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>
-	36 Months	12/31/2026

**Scope of work:**

The contract for the Struggle of Love Foundation will fund three full-time positions to deliver community-based violence intervention services (violence interruption) and one full-time position to deliver secondary gang prevention services. Breakdown of contract funding over a three-year contract - 53% General Fund (\$368,470.59) and 47% Federal Grant Fund (\$327,529.41).

The Community-Based Gang Violence Intervention strategy will be a two-pronged approach, integrating both Gang Violence Interruption efforts and Individualized Service Provision. Proposed services must include the integration of both components. Implementation of both components will allow for both proactive and reactive strategies to reduce gang violence in the community by addressing the service needs of those most likely to be involved in violence and by identifying the causes of and solutions to conflicts between individuals and groups within the community. A primary focus will be on responding to gang, group, and gun-involved incidents and confrontations in the target areas. The selected organizations will maintain an ability to

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respond to such gang incidents, including but not limited to, shootings, aggravated assaults, homicides, and other violent incidents, 24 hours, 7 days a week.

Secondary Gang Prevention Services will provide services to high-risk youth and their families. Secondary gang prevention refers to programs and services that are directed toward youth who have already displayed early signs of problem behavior and are at high-risk for gang, group, and gun involvement. The Vendor will concentrate their resources on those high-risk and hard-to-reach youth who are most likely to join local gangs and groups. Secondary gang prevention programs are specifically designed to recruit and intervene with high-risk youth before gang joining, roughly between the ages of 10 and 16. Successful components of secondary gang prevention are mentoring, individual risk assessments that guide youth and family case planning, and connection to appropriate community services and programs.

The goals of the Community-Based Gang Violence Intervention program and Secondary Gang Prevention Services are to reduce the level of gang, group, and gun violence within Denver communities; change the behavior of those at high-risk to be involved in gang, group, and gun violence; strengthen and enhance collaborative efforts to reduce violence; and, change the norms and values of Denver communities regarding gang violence.

**Was this contractor selected by competitive process? Yes, RFP 11062A – 2023 & RFP 11062A – 2023 B If not, why not?**

**Has this contractor provided these services to the City before?**  Yes  No

**Source of funds:**

FY23 Community-based violence intervention program BJA Grant: SAFTY-202370544 and general funds; Cost Center 3501200

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

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

N/A

**Who are the subcontractors to this contract?**

N/A

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