

## 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: November 25, 2025

Please mark one: ☐ Bill Request or ☒ Resolution Request

Please mark one: The request directly impacts developments, projects, contracts, resolutions, or bills that involve property and impact within .5 miles of the South Platte River from Denver's northern to southern boundary? (Check map [HERE](#))

☐ Yes ☒ No

### 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 a match grant agreement with the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice for \$116,000.00 with an end date of 12-31-2026 to provide funding for assessments, treatments, and transitional care services for the DSD Recovery in a Secure Environment Program in Denver jail facilities, citywide (SHERF-202581903).

### 3. Requesting Agency: Denver Sheriff Department

### 4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution (e.g., subject matter expert)	Contact person for council members or mayor-council
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### 5. General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed:

The Denver Sheriff Department (DSD) is requesting approval to accept Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) grant funds to provide increased support of staffing, curriculum and supplies for the RISE (Recovery in Secure Environment) program at the Denver County Jail. The purpose of RISE is to support individuals with substance use disorders (SUDs) or co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders in their recovery. RISE provides assessments and treatment in the jail, as well as transitional care to ensure seamless reentry into treatment services in the community. The RISE program has been operating inside DSD since 2011 and in that time, we have served 3,430 individuals. These funds will aid in our goal to reduce recidivism through transition planning tools to address challenges such as SUD to be successful upon reentry.

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

McKenzie Brandon

### 7. City Council District:

City wide

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

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## Key Contract Terms

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

**Vendor/Contractor Name (including any dba's):** Colorado Division of Criminal Justice

**Contract control number (legacy and new):** SHERF-202581903

**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):** 10/1/2025 - 12/31/2026

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

<i>Current Contract Amount (A)</i>	<i>Additional Funds (B)</i>	<i>Total Contract Amount (A+B)</i>
\$116,000.00		\$116,000.00

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>
10/1/2025 - 12/31/2026	-	-

### Scope of work:

DSD contracts out counselor positions supporting the RISE program to a community provider (Mile High Behavioral Health Council). This helps participants to have a smooth transition to care in the community. The participants can complete all intakes and get enrolled in treatment with these providers making it a warmer hand off upon release.

RSAT funds for the RISE jail-based SUD treatment program will support:

- One staff member to add additional capacity to our team, allowing more incarcerated individuals access to this program. On average we have a waitlist of 20-40 people at a time. Additional staff would add more individualized support for those currently in the program as well as allowing 16-20 participants to join the program. Our RISE staff are licensed counselors and provide health screenings, assessments, treatment, transition planning, and milieu management to participants of the RISE Program. This additional staff would facilitate groups each day utilizing evidence-based curriculum, in addition to peer led groups. Some groups offered include DUI Level II Education and Therapy, Trauma Education, TBI Education, DBT, CBT, and Transition focused on life skills and employment.
- Curriculum to support programming This funding would allow the purchase of Change Companies' Journals, and other structured workbooks, that are utilized for peer-led groups and allow leadership opportunities for the participants while they develop skills they can take into a future job, or their recovery once released. Participants are assigned to a counselor who regularly checks in with the participant, provides therapy, and utilizes a person-centered approach for treatment planning. The counselor also works with individuals to ensure they're able to get their needs met while in the facility helping coordinate connection to medication assisted treatment (MAT), mental health, etc.
- Transportation for transition planning. Counselors coordinate with participants to identify specific needs related to transition planning, such as applying for sober living to release to, addressing family needs, finding housing, obtaining ID's, and more. They prepare participants for release into the community as one of the larger goals of the program. Transition planning begins during the participant's first week in the program.

**Was this contractor selected by competitive process?** No **If not, why not?** Grant

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

### Source of funds:

**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?** Mile High Behavioral Health (MHBHC)

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