

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Date of Request: 12.23.19

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:** Amends and extends a \$1,414,306 contract with the Colorado Health Network with an additional \$2,331,187 to continue to deliver program support services to qualified individuals under HUD Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) federal funds.

3. **Requesting Agency:** Department of Housing Stability (HOST)

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 a text description or background of the proposed request, if not included as an executive summary.

See Executive Summary

6. **City Attorney assigned to this request (if applicable):** Eliot Schaefer

7. **City Council District:** City-wide

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: Colorado Health Network

Contract control number: OEDEV-201952796-01 / ALF-201846917-01

Location: 6260 E. Colfax Avenue, Denver 80220-1515

Is this a new contract? Yes No Is this an Amendment? Yes No If yes, how many? 1

Contract Term/Duration (for amended contracts, include existing term dates and amended dates): Amended contract for funding year starting January 1, 2020 and concluding on December 31, 2020.

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>
\$1,414,306	\$2,331,187	\$3,745,493

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>
December 31, 2019	12 additional months	December 31, 2020

Was this contractor selected by competitive process? Yes

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

Source of funds: HUD – Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA)

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

WBE/MBE/DBE commitments (construction, design, DEN concession contracts): N/A

Who are the subcontractors to this contract? N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Denver contracts with public and nonprofit providers to deliver HOPWA-funded services, with the largest being this contract with the Colorado Health Network. HOPWA funds are used for a wide range of housing, social services, program planning, and development costs. These include the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing units; costs for facility operations; rental assistance; and short-term payments to prevent homelessness.

An essential component in providing housing assistance for this targeted special needs population is the coordination and delivery of support services. Consequently, HOPWA funds also may be used for services including assessment and case management, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, nutritional services, job training and placement assistance, and assistance with daily living.

Low-income persons at or below 80% AMI that are medically diagnosed with HIV/AIDS and their families are eligible to receive HOPWA-funded assistance. The participant population to be served consists of low-income people living with HIV/AIDS who need assistance with maintaining long-term, stable, permanent housing. Assistance may be provided after review of the participant’s eligibility and other requirements for the following:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance: provides housing assistance to eligible households by subsidizing the difference between total rent and the monthly tenant rent.

Short-Term Rent Mortgage Utility Assistance: provides housing assistance to eligible households for up to \$1,200 and/or 21 weeks of assistance in a 52-week period. This program is designed to prevent homelessness by assisting to retain long-term, stable, permanent housing options for households that might otherwise lose their housing through eviction or foreclosure.

Supportive Services: collaboration with other case management services such as referrals to healthcare, support around adherence to healthcare and treatment, referrals to mental health and substance abuse counseling, referrals to support groups and psycho-educational workshops, housing resources and referrals, and vocational assistance. The services are targeted to participants that live in HOPWA-supported, Section 8, and other privately owned housing. Case managers assigned directly to participants help ensure that they maintain a stable housing environment. The case managers work closely with landlords and developers as well as the participants so that they remain in their homes as long as possible. Participants have access to referrals for substance abuse and mental health treatment counseling, if they have a need for those services.

Permanent Housing Placement: provides deposit/move-in assistance to eligible participants.

This amended \$3,745,493 contract will serve a total of 3,085 households by December 31, 2020.