

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made between the **CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER**, a municipal corporation of the State of Colorado (the “City”) and **THE COMMUNITY FIRM, d/b/a THE COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEFENSE PROJECT**, a Colorado non-profit corporation, whose address is 1600 N. Downing Street, Suite 600, Denver, Colorado 80218 (the “Contractor”), individually a “Party” and jointly the “Parties.”

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. **COORDINATION AND LIAISON**: The Contractor shall fully coordinate all services under this Agreement with the Executive Director (“Director”) of the Department of Housing Stability (“Agency” or “HOST”) or the Director’s designee.

2. **SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED**: As the Director directs, the Contractor shall diligently undertake, perform, and complete all of the services and produce all the deliverables set forth in **Exhibit A**, Scope of Work, to the City’s satisfaction. The Contractor is ready, willing, and able to provide the services required by this Agreement. The Contractor shall faithfully perform the services in accordance with the standards of care, skill, training, diligence, and judgment provided by highly competent individuals performing services of a similar nature to those described in this Agreement and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

3. **TERM**: This Agreement will commence on January 1, 2024, and will expire, unless sooner terminated, on December 31, 2024 (the “Term”).

4. **COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT**

4.1. **Budget**: The City shall pay, and the Contractor shall accept as the sole compensation for services rendered and costs incurred and paid under this Agreement payment not to exceed the line budget amounts set forth in **Exhibit A**. Amounts billed may not exceed the budget amounts set forth in **Exhibit A**.

4.2. **Reimbursable Expenses**: There are no reimbursable expenses allowed under this Agreement. All the Contractor’s expenses are contained in the budget in **Exhibit A**. The City will not be obligated to pay the Contractor for any other fees, costs, expenses, or charges of any nature that may be incurred and paid by the Contractor in performing services under this Agreement including but not limited to personnel, benefits, contract labor, overhead, administrative costs, operating costs, supplies, equipment, and out-of-pocket expenses.

4.3. Invoicing: The Contractor shall provide the City with a monthly invoice in a format and with a level of detail acceptable to the City including all supporting documentation required by the City. The City’s Prompt Payment Ordinance, §§ 20-107 to 20-118, D.R.M.C., applies to invoicing and payment under this Agreement.

4.4. Maximum Contract Amount

4.4.1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the City’s maximum payment obligation will not exceed **Seven Million Four Hundred Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and NO/100 (\$7,400,632.00)** (the “Maximum Contract Amount”). The City is not obligated to execute an agreement or any amendments for any further services, including any services performed by the Contractor beyond that specifically described in **Exhibit A**. Any services performed beyond those in **Exhibit A** or performed outside the Term are performed at the Contractor’s risk and without authorization under this Agreement.

4.4.2. The City’s payment obligation, whether direct or contingent, extends only to funds appropriated annually by the Denver City Council, paid into the Treasury of the City, and encumbered for the purpose of this Agreement. The City does not by this Agreement irrevocably pledge present cash reserves for payment or performance in future fiscal years. This Agreement does not and is not intended to create a multiple-fiscal year direct or indirect debt or financial obligation of the City.

5. ARPA FUNDS:

5.1. The Contractor agrees and acknowledges that some or all of the funds encumbered by the City to pay for the services described herein have been provided in accordance with Section 603(b) of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, Public Law No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) (along with all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, “ARPA”). The Parties acknowledge that all funding from ARPA (collectively, “ARPA Funds”) may only be used to cover those eligible costs incurred by the City during the period that begins on March 3, 2021 and ends on December 31, 2024:

5.1.1. To respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or to aid impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality;

5.1.2. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the City that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;

5.1.3. For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of the City due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to the revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the City prior to the emergency; or

5.1.4. To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

5.2. The Contractor shall only utilize ARPA Funds for the purposes described in the Scope of Work attached as **Exhibit A**. The Contractor agrees and acknowledges that, as a condition to receiving the ARPA Funds, it shall strictly follow the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Award Terms and Conditions attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit C**. All invoices submitted by the Contractor to the City pursuant to this Agreement shall use “COVID-19” or “Coronavirus” as a descriptor for those costs that are paid by ARPA Funds to facilitate the tracking of Agreement-related spending related to COVID-19. The Contractor shall segregate and specifically identify the time and expenditures billed to the City on each invoice to allow for future review and analysis of COVID-19 related expenses. To avoid an unlawful duplication of federal benefits, the Parties agree and acknowledge that the services and/or goods provided by the Contractor for which ARPA Funds are used shall not, to the extent that ARPA Funds are used, also be paid for or reimbursed by monies provided under any other federal program.

5.3. The City agrees and acknowledges that it shall obligate the use of ARPA funds for the services performed and/or good provided by the Contractor under this Agreement no later than December 31, 2024. The Contractor agrees and acknowledges that all services performed and/or goods provided by the Contractor using ARPA Funds must be performed and/or provided, respectively, by the Contractor no later than the end of the Term of the Agreement, but if this Agreement is extended then no later than December 31, 2026. Further, the Contractor agrees and acknowledges that payment for all services performed and/or goods provided by the Contractor using ARPA Funds must be provided by the City to the Contractor no later than sixty (60) days after the end of the Term, but if the Agreement is extended then no later than December 31, 2026. As such, the Contractor shall invoice the City not later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the Term, but if this Agreement is extended than no later November 1, 2026 for all work performed pursuant to this Agreement for which ARPA Funds will be used to enable sufficient time for the City to review, process, and pay such invoice no later than the performance deadline prescribed in ARPA (the “Invoice Deadline Date”). Any invoice submitted by the Contractor after the Invoice Deadline Date for services performed and/or goods provided on or prior to December 31, 2026 may not be eligible to be paid by ARPA Funds, and, to the extent that ARPA Funds are not available to pay such invoice, partially or in total, such invoice shall only be paid subject to funds

appropriated annually by the Denver City Council, paid into the Treasury of the City, and encumbered for the purpose of this Agreement.

5.4. To the extent that the Contractor's services hereunder contemplate the spending of ARPA Funds, the Contractor shall provide to the City information responsive to mandatory performance measures, including programmatic data sufficient to conduct oversight as well as understand aggregate program outcomes. Further, in providing the ARPA-required information to the City, to the extent possible, Contractor shall provide this programmatic data related to such services disaggregated by race, ethnicity, gender, income, and other relevant demographic factors as may be determined by the City. The Contractor shall insert the foregoing requirement into all subcontracts related to this Agreement, thereby obligating all subcontractors to the same reporting requirement as the Contractor.

6. PERFORMANCE MONITORING/INSPECTION: The Contractor shall permit the Director to monitor and review the Contractor's performance under this Agreement. The Contractor shall make available to the City for inspection all files, records, reports, policies, minutes, materials, books, documents, papers, invoices, accounts, payrolls and other data, whether in hard copy or electronic format, used in the performance of any of the services required hereunder or relating to any matter covered by this Agreement to coordinate the performance of services by the Contractor in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. All such monitoring and inspection shall be performed in a manner that will not unduly interfere with the services to be provided under this Agreement.

7. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR: The Contractor is an independent contractor retained to perform professional or technical services for limited periods of time. Neither the Contractor nor any of its employees are employees or officers of the City under Chapter 18 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, or for any purpose whatsoever.

8. TERMINATION

8.1. The City has the right to terminate this Agreement with cause upon written notice effective immediately, and without cause upon ten (10) days prior written notice to the Contractor. However, nothing gives the Contractor the right to perform services under this Agreement beyond the time when its services become unsatisfactory to the Director.

8.2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the City may terminate this Agreement if the Contractor or any of its officers or employees are convicted, plead *nolo contendere*, enter into a formal agreement in which they admit guilt, enter a plea of guilty or otherwise admit culpability to criminal offenses of bribery, kickbacks, collusive bidding, bid-rigging, antitrust, fraud, undue influence, theft, racketeering, extortion or any offense of a similar nature in connection with the Contractor's business. Termination for the reasons stated in this paragraph is effective upon receipt of notice.

8.3. Upon termination of this Agreement, with or without cause, the Contractor shall have no claim against the City by reason of, or arising out of, incidental or relating to termination, except for compensation for work duly requested and satisfactorily performed as described in this Agreement.

8.4. If this Agreement is terminated, the City is entitled to and will take possession of all materials, equipment, tools, and facilities it owns that are in the Contractor's possession, custody, or control by whatever method the City deems expedient. The Contractor shall deliver all documents in any form that were prepared under this Agreement and all other items, materials and documents that have been paid for by the City to the City. These documents and materials are the property of the City. The Contractor shall mark all copies of work product that are incomplete at the time of termination "DRAFT-INCOMPLETE."

9. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS AND AUDITS: The Contractor shall maintain records of the documentation supporting the use of ARPA Funds in an auditable format, for the later of five (5) years after final payment on this Agreement or the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations. Any authorized agent of the City, including the City Auditor or his or her representative, and for ARPA Funds any authorized agent of the Federal government, including the Special Inspector General for Pandemic Recovery ("Inspector General") have the right to access, and the right to examine, copy and retain copies, at the official's election in paper or electronic form, any pertinent books, documents, papers and records related to the Contractor's use of ARPA Funds pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor shall cooperate with Federal and City representatives and such representatives shall be granted access to the foregoing documents and information during reasonable business hours and until the latter of five (5) years after the final payment under the Agreement or expiration of the applicable statute of limitations. When conducting an audit of the use of ARPA Funds, the City Auditor shall be subject to government auditing standards issued by the United States Government Accountability Office by the Comptroller General of the United States, including with respect to disclosure of information acquired during the course of an audit. No examination of records and audits pursuant to this section shall require the Contractor to make disclosures in violation of state or federal privacy laws. The Contractor shall at all times comply with D.R.M.C. 20-276.

10. WHEN RIGHTS AND REMEDIES NOT WAIVED: In no event will any payment or other action by the City constitute or be construed to be a waiver by the City of any breach of covenant or default that may then exist on the part of the Contractor. No payment, other action, or inaction by the City when any breach or default exists will impair or prejudice any right or remedy available to it with respect to any breach or default. No assent, expressed or implied, to any breach of any term of this Agreement constitutes a waiver of any other breach.

11. INSURANCE

11.1. General Conditions: The Contractor agrees to secure, at or before the time of execution of this Agreement, the following insurance covering all operations, goods or services provided pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor shall keep the required insurance coverage in force at all times during the term of this Agreement, including any extension thereof, and during any warranty period. The required insurance shall be underwritten by an insurer licensed or authorized to do business in Colorado and rated by A.M. Best Company as "A-VIII" or better. Each policy shall require notification to the City in the event any of the required policies be canceled or non-renewed before the expiration date thereof. Such written notice shall be sent to the parties identified in the Notices Section of this Agreement. Such notice shall reference the City contract number listed on the signature page of this Agreement. Said notice shall be sent thirty (30) days prior to such cancellation or non-renewal unless due to non-payment of premiums for which notice shall be sent ten (10) days prior. If such written notice is unavailable from the insurer, the Contractor shall provide written notice of cancellation, non-renewal and any reduction in coverage to the parties identified in the Notices Section by certified mail, return receipt requested within three (3) business days of such notice by its insurer(s) and referencing the City's contract number. The Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any deductible or self-insured retention. The insurance coverages specified in this Agreement are the minimum requirements, and these requirements do not lessen or limit the liability of the Contractor. The Contractor shall maintain, at its own expense, any additional kinds or amounts of insurance that it may deem necessary to cover its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement.

11.2. Proof of Insurance: The Contractor may not commence services or work relating to this Agreement prior to placement of coverages required under this Agreement. The Contractor certifies that the certificate of insurance attached as **Exhibit C**, preferably an ACORD form, complies with all insurance requirements of this Agreement. The City requests that the City's contract number be referenced on the certificate of insurance. The City's acceptance of a certificate of insurance or other proof of insurance that does not comply with all insurance requirements set forth in this Agreement shall not act as a waiver of the Contractor's breach of this Agreement or of any of the City's rights or remedies under this Agreement. The City's Risk Management Office may require additional proof of insurance, including but not limited to policies and endorsements.

11.3. Additional Insureds: For Commercial General Liability, Auto Liability and Excess Liability/Umbrella (if required), the Contractor and subcontractor's insurer(s) shall include the City and County of Denver, its elected and appointed officials, employees, and volunteers as additional insured.

11.4. Waiver of Subrogation: For all coverages required under this Agreement, with the exception of Professional Liability – if required, the Contractor’s insurer shall waive subrogation rights against the City.

11.5. Subcontractors and Subconsultants: The Contractor shall confirm and document that all subcontractors and subconsultants (including independent contractors, suppliers or other entities providing goods or services required by this Agreement) procure and maintain coverage as approved by the Contractor and appropriate to their respective primary business risks considering the nature and scope of services provided.

11.6. Workers’ Compensation and Employer’s Liability Insurance: The Contractor shall maintain the coverage as required by statute for each work location and shall maintain Employer’s Liability insurance with limits of \$100,000 per occurrence for each bodily injury claim, \$100,000 per occurrence for each bodily injury caused by disease claim, and \$500,000 aggregate for all bodily injuries caused by disease claims.

11.7. Commercial General Liability: The Contractor shall maintain a Commercial General Liability insurance policy with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 for each bodily injury and property damage occurrence, \$2,000,000 products and completed operations aggregate (if applicable), and \$2,000,000 policy aggregate. Policy shall not contain an exclusion for sexual abuse, molestation, or misconduct.

11.8. Automobile Liability: The Contractor shall maintain Automobile Liability with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limit applicable to all owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles used in performing services under this Agreement.

12. DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION

12.1. The Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, reimburse and hold harmless the City, its appointed and elected officials, agents and employees for, from and against all liabilities, claims, judgments, suits or demands for damages to persons or property, including injuries or death of any person rightfully on the Premises for any purpose whatsoever, arising out of, resulting from, or relating to the services performed and the occupancy and use of the Premises under this Agreement (“Claims”), unless such Claims have been specifically determined by the trier of fact to be the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City. This indemnity shall be interpreted in the broadest possible manner to indemnify the City for any acts or omissions of the Contractor or its subcontractors either passive or active, irrespective of fault, including the City’s concurrent negligence whether active or passive, except for the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City.

12.2. The Contractor's duty to defend and indemnify the City shall arise at the time written notice of the Claim is first provided to the City regardless of whether Claimant has filed suit on the Claim. The Contractor's duty to defend and indemnify the City shall arise even if the City is the only party sued by claimant and/or claimant alleges that the City's negligence or willful misconduct was the sole cause of claimant's damages.

12.3. The Contractor shall defend any and all Claims which may be brought or threatened against the City and shall pay on behalf of the City any expenses incurred by reason of such Claims including, but not limited to, court costs and attorney fees incurred in defending and investigating such Claims or seeking to enforce this indemnity obligation. Such payments on behalf of the City will be in addition to any other legal remedies available to the City and will not be the City's exclusive remedy.

12.4. Insurance coverage requirements specified in this Agreement in no way lessen or limit the liability of the Contractor under the terms of this indemnification obligation. The Contractor is responsible to obtain, at its own expense, any additional insurance that it deems necessary for the City's protection.

12.5. This defense and indemnification obligation shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

13. COLORADO GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY ACT: In relation to this Agreement, the City is relying upon and has not waived the monetary limitations and all other rights, immunities and protection provided by the Colorado Governmental Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, *et seq.*

14. TAXES, CHARGES AND PENALTIES: The City is not liable for the payment of taxes, late charges or penalties of any nature, except for any additional amounts that the City may be required to pay under the City's prompt payment ordinance D.R.M.C. § 20-107, *et seq.* The Contractor shall promptly pay when due, all taxes, bills, debts, and obligations it incurs performing the services under this Agreement and shall not allow any lien, mortgage, judgment, or execution to be filed against City property.

15. ASSIGNMENT; SUBCONTRACTING: The Contractor shall not voluntarily or involuntarily assign any of its rights or obligations, or subcontract performance obligations, under this Agreement without obtaining the Director's prior written consent. Any assignment or subcontracting without such consent will be ineffective and void and will be cause for termination of this Agreement by the City. The Director has sole and absolute discretion whether to consent to any assignment or subcontracting, or to terminate this Agreement because of unauthorized assignment or subcontracting. In the event of any subcontracting or unauthorized assignment: (i) the Contractor shall remain responsible to the City; and (ii) no contractual relationship shall be created between the City and any subconsultant, subcontractor, or assign.

16. **INUREMENT**: The rights and obligations of the Parties to this Agreement inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Parties and their respective successors and assigns, provided assignments are consented to in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

17. **NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARY**: Enforcement of the terms of this Agreement and all rights of action relating to enforcement are strictly reserved to the Parties. Nothing contained in this Agreement gives or allows any claim or right of action to any third person or entity. Any person or entity other than the City or the Contractor receiving services or benefits pursuant to this Agreement is an incidental beneficiary only.

18. **NO AUTHORITY TO BIND CITY TO CONTRACTS**: The Contractor lacks any authority to bind the City on any contractual matters. Final approval of all contractual matters that purport to obligate the City must be executed by the City in accordance with the City's Charter and the Denver Revised Municipal Code.

19. **SEVERABILITY**: Except for the provisions of this Agreement requiring appropriation of funds and limiting the total amount payable by the City, if a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision of this Agreement or any portion of it to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity of the remaining portions or provisions will not be affected, if the intent of the Parties can be fulfilled.

20. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

20.1. No employee of the City shall have any personal or beneficial interest in the services or property described in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not hire, or contract for services with, any employee or officer of the City that would be in violation of the City's Code of Ethics, D.R.M.C. § 2-51, *et seq.*, or the Charter §§ 1.2.8, 1.2.9, and 1.2.12.

20.2. The Contractor shall not engage in any transaction, activity or conduct that would result in a conflict of interest under this Agreement. The Contractor represents that it has disclosed any and all current or potential conflicts of interest. A conflict of interest shall include transactions, activities or conduct that would affect the judgment, actions or work of the Contractor by placing the Contractor's own interests, or the interests of any party with whom the Contractor has a contractual arrangement, in conflict with those of the City. The City, in its sole discretion, will determine the existence of a conflict of interest and may terminate this Agreement if it determines a conflict exists, after it has given the Contractor written notice describing the conflict.

21. **NOTICES**: All notices required by the terms of this Agreement must be hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or mailed via United States mail, postage prepaid, if to the Contractor at the address aforementioned and to the City at the addresses below:

Executive Director, Department of Housing Stability
201 W. Colfax Ave., 6th Floor
Denver, CO 80202

With copies to:

Denver City Attorney's Office
1437 Bannock St., Room 353
Denver, Colorado 80202

Notices hand delivered or sent by overnight courier are effective upon delivery. Notices sent by certified mail are effective upon receipt. Notices sent by mail are effective upon deposit with the U.S. Postal Service. The Parties may designate substitute addresses where or persons to whom notices are to be mailed or delivered. However, these substitutions will not become effective until actual receipt of written notification.

22. DISPUTES: All disputes between the City and the Contractor arising out of or regarding this Agreement will be resolved by administrative hearing pursuant to the procedure established by § 56-106(b)-(f), D.R.M.C. For the purposes of that administrative procedure, the City official rendering a final determination shall be the Director as defined in this Agreement.

23. GOVERNING LAW; VENUE: This Agreement will be construed and enforced in accordance with applicable federal law, the laws of the State of Colorado, and the Charter, Revised Municipal Code, ordinances, regulations and Executive Orders of the City and County of Denver, which are expressly incorporated into this Agreement. Unless otherwise specified, any reference to statutes, laws, regulations, charter or code provisions, ordinances, executive orders, or related memoranda, includes amendments or supplements to same. Venue for any legal action relating to this Agreement will be in the District Court of the State of Colorado, Second Judicial District (Denver District Court).

24. NO DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT: In connection with the performance of work under this Agreement, the Contractor may not refuse to hire, discharge, promote, demote, or discriminate in matters of compensation against any person otherwise qualified, solely because of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, citizenship, immigration status, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, source of income, military status, protective hairstyle, or disability. The Contractor shall insert the foregoing provision in all subcontracts.

25. NO DISCRIMINATION IN PROGRAM ASSISTANCE: In connection with the performance of work under this Agreement, the Contractor may not, in providing program assistance, discriminate against a program beneficiary or prospective program beneficiary on the basis of race, color,

religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, age, military status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, marital or domestic partner status, political beliefs or affiliation, familial or parental status—including pregnancy, medical condition, military service, protective hairstyle, genetic information, or physical or mental disability. The Contractor shall insert the foregoing provision in all subcontracts.

26. FAITH BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND SECTARIAN ACTIVITIES: The Contractor shall not engage in inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytizing as part of the programs or services funded under this Agreement.

27. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS: The Contractor shall perform or cause to be performed all services in full compliance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations and codes of the United States, the State of Colorado; and with the Charter, ordinances, rules, regulations and Executive Orders of the City and County of Denver.

28. LEGAL AUTHORITY: The Contractor represents and warrants that it possesses the legal authority, pursuant to any proper, appropriate, and official motion, resolution or action passed or taken, to enter into this Agreement. Each person signing and executing this Agreement on behalf of the Contractor represents and warrants that he has been fully authorized by the Contractor to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Contractor and to validly and legally bind the Contractor to all the terms, performances and provisions of this Agreement. The City shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to either temporarily suspend or permanently terminate this Agreement if there is a dispute as to the legal authority of either the Contractor or the person signing this Agreement to enter into this Agreement.

29. NO CONSTRUCTION AGAINST DRAFTING PARTY: The Parties and their respective counsel have had the opportunity to review this Agreement, and this Agreement will not be construed against any Party merely because any provisions of this Agreement were prepared by a particular Party.

30. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: In the event of any conflicts between the language of this Agreement and the exhibits, the language of this Agreement controls.

31. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS: The City and the Contractor intend that all property rights to any and all materials, text, logos, documents, booklets, manuals, references, guides, brochures, advertisements, URLs, domain names, music, sketches, web pages, plans, drawings, prints, photographs, specifications, software, data, products, ideas, inventions, and any other work or recorded information created by the Contractor and paid for by the City pursuant to this Agreement, in preliminary or final form and on any media whatsoever (collectively, “Materials”), shall belong to the City. The Contractor shall disclose all such items to the City and shall assign such rights over to the City upon

completion of the Project. To the extent permitted by the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 USC § 101, *et seq.*, the Materials are a “work made for hire” and all ownership of copyright in the Materials shall vest in the City at the time the Materials are created. To the extent that the Materials are not a “work made for hire,” the Contractor (by this Agreement) sells, assigns and transfers all right, title and interest in and to the Materials to the City, including the right to secure copyright, patent, trademark, and other intellectual property rights throughout the world and to have and to hold such rights in perpetuity. The Parties agree that all materials, text, logos, documents, booklets, manuals, references, guides, brochures, advertisements, URLs, domain names, music, sketches, web pages, plans, drawings, prints, photographs, specifications, software, data, products, ideas, inventions, and any other work or recorded information of the Contractor made available, directly or indirectly, by the Contractor to the City as part of the Scope of Services (collectively, “Contractor Materials”), are the exclusive property of the Contractor or the third parties from whom the Contractor has secured the rights to use such product. Contractor Materials, processes, methods, and services shall at all times remain the property of the Contractor; however, the Contractor hereby grants to the City a nonexclusive, royalty free, perpetual, and irrevocable license to use Contractor Materials. The Contractor shall mark or identify all such Contractor Materials to the City.

32. SURVIVAL OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS: The terms of this Agreement and any exhibits and attachments that by reasonable implication contemplate continued performance, rights, or compliance beyond expiration or termination of this Agreement survive this Agreement and will continue to be enforceable. Without limiting the generality of this provision, the Contractor’s obligations to provide insurance and to indemnify the City will survive for a period equal to any and all relevant statutes of limitation, plus the time necessary to fully resolve any claims, matters, or actions begun within that period.

33. ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE: The Contractor shall not include any reference to this Agreement or to services performed pursuant to this Agreement in any of the Contractor’s advertising or public relations materials without first obtaining the written approval of the Director. Any oral presentation or written materials related to services performed under this Agreement will be limited to services that have been accepted by the City. The Contractor shall notify the Director in advance of the date and time of any presentation. Nothing in this provision precludes the transmittal of any information to City officials.

34. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

34.1. “Confidential Information” means all information or data disclosed in written or machine recognizable form and is marked or identified at the time of disclosure as being confidential, proprietary, or its equivalent. Each of the Parties may disclose (a “Disclosing Party”) or permit the other Party (the “Receiving Party”) access to the Disclosing Party’s Confidential Information in accordance

with the following terms. Except as specifically permitted in this Agreement or with the prior express written permission of the Disclosing Party, the Receiving Party shall not: (i) disclose, allow access to, transmit, transfer or otherwise make available any Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party to any third party other than its employees, subcontractors, agents and consultants that need to know such information to fulfil the purposes of this Agreement, and in the case of non-employees, with whom it has executed a non-disclosure or other agreement which limits the use, reproduction and disclosure of the Confidential Information on terms that afford at least as much protection to the Confidential Information as the provisions of this Agreement; or (ii) use or reproduce the Confidential Information of the Disclosing Party for any reason other than as reasonably necessary to fulfil the purposes of this Agreement. This Agreement does not transfer ownership of Confidential Information or grant a license thereto. The City will retain all right, title, and interest in its Confidential Information.

34.2. The Contractor shall provide for the security of Confidential Information and information which may not be marked, but constitutes personally identifiable information, HIPAA, CJIS, or other federally or state regulated information (“Regulated Data”) in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, policies, publications, and guidelines. If the Contractor receives Regulated Data outside the scope of this Agreement, it shall promptly notify the City.

34.3. Confidential Information that the Receiving Party can establish: (i) was lawfully in the Receiving Party’s possession before receipt from the Disclosing Party; or (ii) is or becomes a matter of public knowledge through no fault of the Receiving Party; or (iii) was independently developed or discovered by the Receiving Party; or (iv) was received from a third party that was not under an obligation of confidentiality, shall not be considered Confidential Information under this Agreement. The Receiving Party will inform necessary employees, officials, subcontractors, agents, and officers of the confidentiality obligations under this Agreement, and all requirements and obligations of the Receiving Party under this Agreement shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement.

34.4. Nothing in this Agreement shall in any way limit the ability of the City to comply with any laws or legal process concerning disclosures by public entities. The Parties understand that all materials exchanged under this Agreement, including Confidential Information, may be subject to the Colorado Open Records Act., § 24-72-201, *et seq.*, C.R.S., (the “Act”). In the event of a request to the City for disclosure of confidential materials, the City shall advise the Contractor of such request in order to give the Contractor the opportunity to object to the disclosure of any of its materials which it marked as, or otherwise asserts is, proprietary or confidential. If the Contractor objects to disclosure of any of its material, the Contractor shall identify to the City the legal basis under the Act for any right to withhold. In the event of any action or the filing of a lawsuit to compel disclosure, the Contractor agrees to intervene

in such action or lawsuit to protect and assert its claims of privilege against disclosure of such material or waive the same. If the matter is not resolved, the City will tender all material to the court for judicial determination of the issue of disclosure. The Contractor further agrees to defend, indemnify and save and hold harmless the City, its officers, agents and employees, from any claim, damages, expense, loss or costs arising out of the Contractor's intervention to protect and assert its claim of privilege against disclosure under this Article, including but not limited to, prompt reimbursement to the City of all reasonable attorney fees, costs, and damages that the City may incur directly or may be ordered to pay.

35. PROTECTED INFORMATION AND DATA PROTECTION

35.1. Compliance with Data Protection Laws: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, directives, and policies relating to data protection, use, collection, disclosures, processing, and privacy as they apply to the Contractor under this Agreement, including, without limitation, applicable industry standards or guidelines based on the data's classification relevant to the Contractor's performance hereunder and, when applicable, the most recent iterations of § 24-73-101, et seq., C.R.S.; § 24-85-103 (2.5), C.R.S.; IRS Publication 1075; the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA); the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Criminal Justice Information Services Security Policy for all Criminal Justice Information; the Colorado Consumer Protection Act; and the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI-DSS), (collectively, "Data Protection Laws"). If the Contractor becomes aware that it cannot reasonably comply with the terms or conditions contained herein due to a conflicting law or policy, the Contractor shall promptly notify the City.

35.2. Personal Information: "PII" means personally identifiable information including, without limitation, any information maintained by the City about an individual that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, or biometric records. PII includes, but is not limited to, all information defined as personally identifiable information in §§ 24-73-101, C.R.S. "PII" shall also mean "personal information" as set forth at § 24-73-103(1)(g), C.R.S. If receiving PII under this Agreement, the Contractor shall provide for the security of such PII, in a manner and form acceptable to the City, including, without limitation, City non-disclosure requirements, use of appropriate technology, security practices, computer access security, data access security, data storage encryption, data transmission encryption, and security audits. In addition, as set forth in § 28-251, D.R.M.C., the Contractor, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's employees, agents, and subcontractors, shall not collect or disseminate individually identifiable information about the national origin, immigration, or citizenship status of any person, over

and above the extent to which the City is required, under this Agreement, to collect or disseminate such information in accordance with any federal, state, or local law.

35.3. Safeguarding Protected Information: “Protected Information” means data, regardless of form, that has been designated as private, proprietary, protected, or confidential by law, policy, or the City. Protected Information includes, but is not limited to, employment records, protected health information, student records, education records, criminal justice information, personal financial records, research data, trade secrets, classified government information, other regulated data, and PII. Protected Information shall not include public records that by law must be made available to the public pursuant to the Colorado Open Records Act § 24-72-201, et seq., C.R.S. To the extent there is any uncertainty as to whether data constitutes Protected Information, the data in question shall be treated as Protected Information until a determination is made by the City or an appropriate legal authority. Unless the City provides security protection for the information it discloses to the Contractor, the Contractor shall implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that are both appropriate to the nature of the Protected Information disclosed and that are reasonably designed to help safeguard Protected Information from unauthorized access, use, modification, disclosure, or destruction. Disclosure of Protected Information does not include disclosure to a third party under circumstances where the City retains primary responsibility for implementing and maintaining reasonable security procedures and practices appropriate to the nature of the Protected Information, and the City implements and maintains technical controls reasonably designed to safeguard Protected Information from unauthorized access, modification, disclosure, or destruction or effectively eliminate the third party's ability to access Protected Information, notwithstanding the third party's physical possession of Protected Information. If the Contractor has been contracted to maintain, store, or process personal information on the City's behalf, the Contractor is a “Third-Party Service Provider” as defined by § 24-73-103(1)(i), C.R.S., and shall maintain security procedures and practices consistent with §§24-73-101, et seq., C.R.S.

35.4. Data Access and Integrity: The Contractor shall implement and maintain all appropriate administrative, physical, technical, and procedural safeguards necessary and appropriate to ensure compliance with the standards, guidelines, and Data Protection Laws applicable to the Contractor's performance hereunder to ensure the security and confidentiality of all data. The Contractor shall protect against threats or hazards to the security or integrity of data; protect against unauthorized disclosure, access to, or use of any data; restrict access to data as necessary; and ensure the proper use of data. The Contractor shall not engage in “data mining” except as specifically and expressly required by law or authorized in writing by the City. All data and Protected Information shall be maintained and securely transferred in accordance with industry standards. Unless otherwise required by law, the City has

exclusive ownership of all data it discloses under this Agreement, and the Contractor shall have no right, title, or interest in data obtained in connection with the services provided herein.

35.5. Data Retention, Transfer, Litigation Holds, and Destruction: Using appropriate and reliable storage media, the Contractor shall regularly backup data used in connection with this Agreement and retain such backup copies consistent with the Contractor's data retention policies. Upon termination of this Agreement, the Contractor shall securely delete or securely transfer all data, including Protected Information, to the City in an industry standard format as directed by the City; however, this requirement shall not apply to the extent the Contractor is required by law to retain data, including Protected Information. Upon the City's request, the Contractor shall confirm the data disposed of, the date disposed of, and the method of disposal. With respect to any data in the Contractor's exclusive custody, the City may request that the Contractor preserve such data outside of its usual record retention policies. The City will promptly coordinate with the Contractor regarding the preservation and disposition of any data and records relevant to any current or anticipated litigation, and the Contractor shall continue to preserve the records until further notice by the City. Unless otherwise required by law or regulation, when paper or electronic documents are no longer needed, the Contractor shall destroy or arrange for the destruction of such documents within its custody or control that contain Protected Information by shredding, erasing, or otherwise modifying the Protected Information in the paper or electronic documents to make it unreadable or indecipherable.

35.6. Software and Computing Systems: At its reasonable discretion, the City may prohibit the Contractor from the use of certain software programs, databases, and computing systems with known vulnerabilities to collect, use, process, store, or generate data and information, with Protected Information, received as a result of the Contractor's services under this Agreement. The Contractor shall comply with all requirements, if any, associated with the use of software programs, databases, and computing systems as reasonably directed by the City. The Contractor shall not use funds paid by the City for the acquisition, operation, or maintenance of software in violation of any copyright laws or licensing restrictions. The Contractor shall maintain commercially reasonable network security that, at a minimum, includes network firewalls, intrusion detection/prevention, enhancements, or updates consistent with evolving industry standards, and periodic penetration testing.

35.7. Background Checks: The Contractor will ensure that, prior to being granted access to Protected Information, the Contractor's agents, employees, subcontractors, volunteers, or assigns who perform work under this Agreement have all undergone and passed all necessary criminal background screenings, have successfully completed annual instruction of a nature sufficient to enable them to

effectively comply with all data protection provisions of this Agreement and Data Protection Laws, and possess all qualifications appropriate to the nature of the employees' duties and the sensitivity of the data.

35.8. Subcontractors and Employees: If the Contractor engages a subcontractor under this Agreement, the Contractor shall impose data protection terms that provide at least the same level of data protection as in this Agreement and to the extent appropriate to the nature of the services provided. The Contractor shall monitor the compliance with such obligations and remain responsible for its subcontractor's compliance with the obligations of this Agreement and for any of its subcontractors acts or omissions that cause the Contractor to breach any of its obligations under this Agreement. Unless the Contractor provides its own security protection for the information it discloses to a third party, the Contractor shall require the third party to implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that are appropriate to the nature of the Protected Information disclosed and that are reasonably designed to protect it from unauthorized access, use, modification, disclosure, or destruction. Any term or condition within this Agreement relating to the protection and confidentiality of any disclosed data shall apply equally to both the Contractor and any of its subcontractors, agents, assigns, employees, or volunteers. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide the City copies of its record retention, data privacy, and information security policies.

35.9. Security Breach: If the Contractor becomes aware of an unauthorized acquisition or disclosure of unencrypted data, in any form, that compromises the security, access, confidentiality, or integrity of Protected Information or data maintained or provided by the City ("Security Breach"), the Contractor shall notify the City in the most expedient time and without unreasonable delay. The Contractor shall fully cooperate with the City regarding recovery, lawful notices, investigations, remediation, and the necessity to involve law enforcement, as determined by the City and Data Protection Laws. The Contractor shall preserve and provide all information relevant to the Security Breach to the City; provided, however, the Contractor shall not be obligated to disclose confidential business information or trade secrets. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City for any and all claims, including reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses incidental thereto, which may be suffered by, accrued against, charged to, or recoverable from the City in connection with a Security Breach or lawful notices.

35.10. Request for Additional Protections and Survival: In addition to the terms contained herein, the City may reasonably request that the Contractor protect the confidentiality of certain Protected Information or other data in specific ways to ensure compliance with Data Protection Laws and any changes thereto. Unless a request for additional protections is mandated by a change in law, the Contractor may reasonably decline the City's request to provide additional protections. If such a request requires the Contractor to take steps beyond those contained herein, the Contractor shall notify the City

with the anticipated cost of compliance, and the City may thereafter, in its sole discretion, direct the Contractor to comply with the request at the City's expense; provided, however, that any increase in costs that would increase the Maximum Contract Amount must first be memorialized in a written amendment complying with City procedures. Obligations contained in this Agreement relating to the protection and confidentiality of any disclosed data shall survive termination of this Agreement, and the Contractor shall continue to safeguard all data for so long as the data remains confidential or protected and in the Contractor's possession or control.

36. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE: The Parties agree that in the performance of the terms, conditions, and requirements of this Agreement, time is of the essence.

37. PARAGRAPH HEADINGS: The captions and headings set forth herein are for convenience of reference only and shall not be construed to define or limit the terms and provisions hereof.

38. CITY EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement will not be effective or binding on the City until it has been fully executed by all required signatories of the City and County of Denver, and if required by Charter, approved by the City Council.

39. AGREEMENT AS COMPLETE INTEGRATION-AMENDMENTS: This Agreement is the complete integration of all understandings between the Parties as to the subject matter of this Agreement. No prior, contemporaneous, or subsequent addition, deletion, or other modification has any force or effect, unless embodied in this Agreement in writing. No oral representation by any officer or employee of the City at variance with the terms of this Agreement or any written amendment to this Agreement will have any force or effect or bind the City.

40. USE, POSSESSION OR SALE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS: The Contractor shall cooperate and comply with the provisions of Executive Order 94 and its Attachment A concerning the use, possession or sale of alcohol or drugs. Violation of these provisions or refusal to cooperate with implementation of the policy can result in contract personnel being barred from City facilities and from participating in City operations.

41. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AND ELECTRONIC RECORDS: The Contractor consents to the use of electronic signatures by the City. This Agreement, and any other documents requiring a signature under this Agreement, may be signed electronically by the City in the manner specified by the City. The Parties agree not to deny the legal effect or enforceability of this Agreement solely because it is in electronic form or because an electronic record was used in its formation. The Parties agree not to object to the admissibility of this Agreement in the form of an electronic record, or a paper copy of an electronic document, or a paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, on the

ground that it is an electronic record or electronic signature or that it is not in its original form or is not an original.

Exhibit List

Exhibit A – Scope of Work

Exhibit B – Certificate of Insurance

Exhibit C – Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund of Award Terms

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Contractor Name: THE COMMUNITY FIRM
d/b/a The Community Economic Defense Project

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and affixed their seals at Denver, Colorado as of:

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CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:

ATTEST:

By:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

REGISTERED AND COUNTERSIGNED:

Attorney for the City and County of Denver

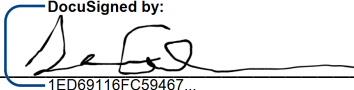
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Title: Co-Founder & Co-CEO
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SCOPE OF WORK**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING STABILITY****The Community Firm****HOST-202371132****I. INTRODUCTION**

Period of Performance Start and End Dates: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

Project Description:

The purpose of this contract agreement is to provide a Department of Housing Stability (HOST) award for \$7,400,632.00. These funds will be provided to The Community (DBA The Community Economic Defense Project), (TCF) to be utilized to provide Temporary Rental and Utility Assistance (TRUA) to eligible residents in the City and County of Denver.

Funding Source:	American Rescue Plan Act
Project Name:	The Community Firm d/b/a The Community Economic Defense Project
Budget Type:	Cost Reimbursement
Activity Name:	Temporary Rental and Utility Assistance
Federal Award ID (FAIN) #:	SLFRP4316
Federal Award Date:	
Federal Awarding Agency:	U.S. Department of Treasury
Pass-Through Entity:	City and County of Denver
Awarding Official:	U.S. Department of Treasury
Unique Entity Identifier:	S6JDJP1PQM15
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA#):	21.027 Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds (SLFRF)
SAM.gov Expiration Date:	3/14/2024
Contractor Address:	1600 N Downing St Suite 600 Denver CO 80218
Organization Type:	Non-Profit

II. SERVICES DESCRIPTION

A. List of Services to be provided by contractor

1. Program funds will be used to provide rental and utility assistance to eligible residents in the City and County of Denver as detailed below.

B. Activity Requirements:

1. **Rental Assistance (RA):** TCF will provide rental assistance to eligible households for a period of up to 6 months in a 12-month period (calendar year) depending upon need.
 - a) The participant must provide evidence of tenancy via a lease, 10-Day Rent Demand and/or Rent Ledger reflecting the participant's name or other evidence of residency at the current residence within the City and County of Denver boundaries. If there is no formal lease, evidence of residency at the current residence may be provided in lieu of the lease and include demonstrated regular payments to the owner of the property or a signed Affidavit by the lessee or lessor that the property is the participant's primary residence.
 - b) Program assistance must be provided according to Fair Housing requirements that protect citizens from discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion or creed, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, marital or familial status, military status or physical or mental disability.
 - c) The participant must demonstrate a current financial or other housing crisis to be eligible for financial assistance, which may include but is not limited to a notice of rent increase that will make existing housing unaffordable to the participant, evidence of uninhabitable living conditions such as a notice of public health violations, a past due notice, demand for rent or possession, or a court summons.
 - d) Assistance will not exceed 6 months within a 12-month period (calendar year). Assistance up to the maximum of 6 months in a 12-month period (calendar year) does not need to be continuous. For applicants that require more than 6 months of rental assistance per household per calendar year to avoid involuntary displacement, TCF may request a waiver from HOST to provide additional rental assistance.
 - e) Rent assistance may include rental arrears, current month's rent, and one future month's rent. A month is considered current until the 14th day of that month. On the 15th day of that month or after, the month is considered in arrears and the subsequent month is considered to be current.
 - f) Rent assistance may include payments made for rental units in which a tenant no longer resides if the rental unit was their primary residence at the time of their application submission. Contractors should employ discretion to determine whether payments made for a previous unit or relocation assistance will best promote housing stability.
 - g) Assistance may include late fees, attorney's fees, and posting fees with documentation of reasonableness, allowance in the lease, and verification that the costs were allowable under local and State law at the time the fees were charged.
 - h) Relocation assistance may include application fees, security deposit assistance and/or rent assistance if TCF is unable to help mitigate involuntary displacement from current residence. To receive relocation assistance, the following criteria must be met:

- i. Cannot have been displaced from City and County of Denver residence for more than 90 days.
 - ii. Must demonstrate or attest to risk of involuntary displacement which may include but is not limited to eviction, hazardous conditions, landlord refusing to renew lease, etc).
 - iii. Must be approved for a unit in the City and County of Denver.
 - iv. Security deposit/first month's rent payment will be made to the individual/vendor where the funds are due on behalf of clients.
 - v. Deposit and First Month's Rent will count as one month each toward the six-month maximum
- i) TCF will process rental payments for eligible participant households who are deemed eligible for the program
 - j) Payment requests will be delivered from TCF in accordance with the payment process requirements outlined below.
 - k) Rental assistance is not intended to provide perpetual assistance beyond the 6- month maximum as outlined in the program guidelines. Assistance is intended to benefit participants who are not able to meet their monthly housing expenses due to unexpected situations.

2. Utility Assistance:

TCF will provide utility assistance to eligible households for a single occurrence per utility within a 12-month period (calendar year). The assistance is designed to prevent utility services from being disconnected by assisting low and moderate-income residents experiencing a housing crisis. This program provides Utility Assistance to Denver Water and/or Xcel Energy (electric, gas) for renters and homeowners.

- a) The participant must provide evidence of residency at the current residence within the City and County of Denver boundaries via a lease, Denver Property Taxation and Assessment System, deed of trust, or mortgage reflecting the participant's name or alternative evidence of residency in accordance with the program guidelines. The residence must be the participants primary residence. To be eligible for utility assistance, homeowners/renters must provide proof of ownership/residency for the property in which they reside.
- b) Program assistance must be provided according to Fair Housing requirements that protect citizens from discrimination on the basis race, color, religion or creed, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, marital or familial status, military status or physical or mental disability.
- c) The participant must demonstrate need in the form of a disconnection notice or past due bill.
- d) Assistance will not exceed one occurrence per utility within a 12-month period (calendar year).
- e) Water and energy may be paid separately.

- f) Utility assistance may include payments for a one-time utility deposit. Utility deposit payments will count towards an applicant's one occurrence of utility assistance per utility within a 12-month period (calendar year).
- g) TCF will process utility payments for eligible participant households who are deemed eligible for the program.
- h) Payment requests will be delivered from the TCF to the vendor where the funds are due on behalf of clients.
- i) Utility assistance is not intended to provide perpetual assistance. Assistance is intended to benefit participants who are not able to meet their monthly housing expenses due to unexpected situations.

3. Contractor Intake Process Requirement

Contractor will prioritize applications based upon prioritization procedures established by HOST. Contractor must provide an initial consultation and eligibility assessment with a case manager or other authorized representative to determine TRUA eligibility and the type, level, and duration of assistance for each program participant.

Eligibility assessments, even when the client did not receive financial assistance must be documented and kept in a client file. If a client was determined to be ineligible for program assistance, the reason for denial should be included as part of the client file.

- a) **Contractor will:**
 - i. Maintain well-developed internal policies that address the administration of the program.
 - ii. Assess each client to determine appropriate resources and services to eliminate housing related barriers.
 - iii. Refer clients with housing barriers to appropriate resources.
 - iv. Maintain well-developed partnerships with other service and housing providers, agencies, and local governments.
 - v. Work with each client in a culturally appropriate way
- b) Client intake forms should include, at a minimum:
 - i. Name and contact information of applicant
 - ii. Address including zip code
 - iii. Income of all household members over the age of 18 who are requesting assistance; applicant and co-applicant(s) (if applicable)
 - iv. Self-certification of hardship
 - v. Demographic information needed for contract reporting requirement
 - vi. Utility/company account information (if applicable)
 - vii. Landlord contact information (if applicable)

4. **Documentation Requirement:**

- a) Contractor must maintain adequate and easily identifiable documentation to determine the eligibility of program participants served. Documentation must demonstrate activities and expenses that are:
 - i. Allowable
 - ii. Reasonable
 - iii. Defensible
- b) Contractor must:
 - i. Verify and document eligibility prior to providing TRUA
 - ii. Maintain documentation in participant case file.
- c) Minimum Acceptable Types of Documentation, in Order of Preference:
 - i. Written third party verification
 - ii. Oral third-party verification
 - iii. Applicant self-declaration via an Affidavit
- d) Determining Acceptable Level of Documentation:
 - i. Contractor must make every effort to achieve the highest standard that is reasonable
 - ii. Contractor must document reasons when using lower standard of documentation.

5. **Payment Process Requirement:**

- a) TCF will receive, review, and approve signed requests that contain all the information needed to determine eligibility and determine that the amount requested is allowed under established guidelines as noted in the participant eligibility above.
- b) Once approved, checks or ACH payment will be issued as quickly as possible. Checks or ACH payments will be made out to each individual or utility vendor(s), only after the individual has been identified through City property records, lease, W9, or other documentation as the owner of the property where the participant lives as the owner of the property where the participant lives.
- c) TCF may authorize payments made directly to Denver County court when doing so will prevent the applicant's involuntary displacement.
- d) Only in cases where landlords refuse payment or remain unresponsive, TCF may authorize payments made directly to tenants in instances when doing so will prevent the applicant's involuntary displacement. Proof that landlord has refused payment or is unresponsive must be documented in the application file which must include:
 - i. A request for participation sent in writing, by mail, to landlord where addressee does not respond to the request within 10 business days or;
 - ii. A request for participation has been made at least three times by text or e-mail over a minimum of 7 business days with no response or;
 - iii. The landlord confirms in writing that they do not wish to participate or is unresponsive in cases of imminent displacement.
 - iv. Prior to funds being provided, tenant must agree to use any funds received for its intended purpose by submitting a declaration of

agreement in writing or by e-mail. Landlord will also be provided with a 'Direct Tenant Payment Notification' letter describing the amount of funds provided to Tenant for rental assistance along with contact information to report any concerns of fraud.

- e) Maintain financial assistance records.
- f) Provide HOST with monthly financial data summarizing the financial assistance provided to each participant to avoid disallowed assistance.
- g) TCF must submit invoices with back up documentation on each of the payments.

6. Client Requirements:

- a) Proof of Residency for Renters- The participant must provide evidence of tenancy via a lease, 10-Day Rent Demand and/or Rent Ledger reflecting the participant's name or other evidence of residency at the current residence within the City and County of Denver boundaries. If there is no formal lease, evidence of residency at the current residence may be provided in lieu of the lease and include demonstrated regular payments to the owner of the property or a signed Affidavit by the lessee that the property is the participant's primary residence.
- b) Proof of Residency for Homeowners - The participant must provide evidence of residency via Denver Property Taxation and Assessment System, a deed of trust or mortgage reflecting the participant's name or other evidence of residency at the current residence within the City and County of Denver boundaries.
- c) Proof of Income – For the purposes of this contract, the participant household must be low to moderate income, with household income defined as at or below the current HUD 80% Area Median Income (AMI) as provided and updated annually here: <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html>. Proof of income may include the following:
 - i. Pay stubs (wages, salary, armed forces income)
 - ii. Proof of unemployment application
 - iii. Certification of Zero Income
 - iv. Court order (alimony, child support)
 - v. Federal or state tax return
 - vi. Dividend interest statement
 - vii. Categorical Eligibility
 - viii. Fact-specific Proxy
 - ix. Other written verification of income:
 - a. Name of income source, and applicant name
 - b. Income amount and frequency
 - c. Contact information for authorized income source representative
 - d. Signed and dated by authorized income source representative
- d) Self-Declaration – (only if written verification cannot be obtained): Self-declaration of income is acceptable ONLY in very limited circumstances. A self-declaration must be clearly documented in the case

file, including all attempts to obtain third party verification and a signed Affidavit that the declared income is accurate. Self-declared cases will be monitored closely for compliance with program requirements

- e) Identification – The applicant must provide identification as required by City policies and ordinances.

7. Ineligible Activities:

Ineligible program activities include:

- a) Assistance to individuals or households with income exceeding 80% of AMI. For the purpose of this contract, we will use the income limits as published by HUD, as provided and updated annually here:
<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html>
- b) Mortgage costs including payment, fees, taxes and refinancing expenses

III. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR BOTH PARTIES

A. Contractor will:

- 1. Work with City to host any city-designated sensitivity training on an annual basis.
- 2. Provide any online modular sensitivity training developed and provided by the City to all new direct-service staff within 15 days of hire date. Ensure direct-service staff complete training refresher on a biennial basis.
 - a. Sensitivity Training is available at
https://denvergov.org/media/denvergov/housingstability/context_of_homelessness/story.html
 - b. The Executive Director or their delegate are required to complete and sign the “Statement of Completion of Required Training: Informed, Compassionate, and Positive Interactions with Persons Experiencing Homelessness” form biennially and submit to HOST.
- 3. Post the City and County of Denver’s Anti-Discrimination Office signage in an area where information is available to staff and program participants.

B. The City will:

- 1. Provide signage that includes information about the City and County of Denver’s Anti-Discrimination Office in both [Spanish and English](#).

IV. EQUITY ACCESS AND OUTCOMES

The Department of Housing Stability, in alignment with the Mayor’s Office of Social Equity and Innovation, values racial equity and inclusiveness and seeks to reflect this value in our funding practices. Our commitment to producing racially equitable housing outcomes is paramount to HOST’s overall mission of Denver residents being healthy, housed and connected. HOST requires all programs it funds to report on the demographic characteristics of households served by the program throughout the duration of the contract in coordination with other required reporting. The contractor will also report on the demographics of staff working on this program throughout the duration of this contract. Specific information outlining the required data systems to be used and data to be collected are contained within the scope of work of this contract. This information will help HOST monitor demographic trends in who is served. The underlying objective of collecting and disaggregating data and

outcomes by race is to understand who is currently served by HOST funded programs. This information will help inform future evaluation on any potential disparate impacts across HOST programs, as well as strategies to help address equity in access to and outcomes from programs where appropriate. Additionally, HOST program and monitoring staff will be reviewing data, and will discuss your program's progress or challenges towards racially equitable services and outcomes at site visits and monitoring.

V. FUNDS WILL BE USED TO

- A. Provide rental and utility assistance to City and County of Denver residents at or below 80% of the Area Median Income who have experienced a financial hardship.
- B. Provide personnel and administrative funding to administer the program

VI. OBJECTIVE AND OUTCOMES

Objective: Provide temporary rent and utility assistance to low- and moderate-income City and County of Denver residents who have experienced a financial hardship.

Outcome I: Approximately 1,100 unduplicated households served with rent and/or utility assistance.

VII. REPORTING

- A. Contractors will be required to use HOST Programs Community to submit all program narrative and qualitative data reports. These reports are due the 15th business day of the month following each reporting period. Each narrative report will content information on program success, challenges, and funding leverage during the reporting period.
- B. HOST Programs Community will provide Contractor with an online forum to submit report for each reporting period. Supplemental reporting may be required when HMIS data and narrative reports are insufficient to demonstrate program impact. Submitted reports will be reviewed by the designated Program Officer for completeness, clarity, and accuracy.
- C. Upon execution of this contract, HOST will provide a user guide for using HOST Programs Community portal along with the required login information. Prior to the due date for the first required report, HOST will provide resources and support as needed or as requested by the Contractor to support the use of HOST Programs Community.
- D. Contractor may be required to submit a Contract Summary Report at the end of the contract period within 30 days after the Term End Date of this contract agreement.
- E. Data Monitoring
 - A description of the scope of data that will be monitored by HOST throughout the lifecycle of the contract. This includes the mechanism for reporting, the primary goal for households to be served, desired program outcomes, and any program-specific reporting requirements.
 - 1. Program data
 - a. Data sources
 - 1. Homeless service providers: All program data reports will be sourced from client-level data entered in HMIS unless otherwise specified. Qualitative

- program narratives, data quality reports, and any requested supplemental reports can be submitted through the HOST Programs Community
2. All other programs: Summary reports on clients served will use the HOST Programs Community to report narrative, and households served information. Additional data may be required in the reporting form and/or a supplemental data template provided by HOST.
 - i. Number of unique Households served (universal for all HOST-funded programs) and progress toward the households served goal: Households proposed to be served over the contract term – 1,100
 - ii. Demographics of households served: Demographic data of households served are monitored to ensure fair and equitable access to services. The scope of demographic data collected are specific to the needs of the program or any related funding sources. Demographic data can include but is not limited to race and ethnicity, income level, participant age/ age-group/ number of age-qualifying participants, disability status, mental health condition, or gender identity. The measures and benchmarks specified in the objectives and outcomes section.
 3. Qualitative narratives: This includes reports on program successes and challenges, programmatic updates, and supplemental reports. These reports can be submitted through the Salesforce programs community.
 4. Financial Data
 - a. Funding sources and amount included
 - b. Total Contract spend to date, by budget category

Funding Source (TCF)	Total Contract
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$6,000,000.00
Affordable Housing Property Tax	\$1,400,632.00
Total Contract Amount	\$7,400,632.00

5. Specific to this Scope of Work {Insert additional/ delete items as needed}
 - a. Number of applications received
 - b. Number of applications closed
 - c. Number of households receiving supportive services (i.e. housing/resource navigation, case management, and/or mediation)
 - d. Number of evictions prevented among applicants with a demand letter and/or court summons
 - e. Additional household characteristics:
 - i. Address
 - ii. Female head of household
 - iii. Household size
 - iv. Number of months of assistance received
 - v. Amount of assistance received

VIII. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

A. Compensation and Methods of Payment

1. Disbursements shall be processed through the Department of Housing Stability (HOST) and the City and County of Denver's Department of Finance.
2. The method of payment to the Contractor by HOST shall be in accordance with established HOST procedures for this Agreement line-item reimbursements. Invoice requests for reimbursement of costs should be submitted on a regular and timely basis in accordance with HOST policies. Invoices should be submitted within thirty (30) days of the actual service, expenditure, or payment of expense.
3. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for services provided under this Agreement according to the approved line-item reimbursement budget
4. Invoice request shall be completed and submitted on or before the 15th of each month following the month services were rendered. Contractor shall use HOST's preferred invoice template, if requested HOST Financial Services may require a Cost Allocation Plan and budget narrative for detailed estimated description and allocation of funds. This is dependent upon funding source and program requirements.
5. Invoices shall be submitted to the HOST contractor online portal at <https://denvergov.org/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Agencies-Departments-Offices-Directory/Department-of-Housing-Stability/Partner-Resources/Contractor-Payment-Requests> or by US Mail to:
Attn: Department of Housing Stability
Financial Services Team
201 W. Colfax Ave.
Denver CO 80202
6. Cash advances: Subrecipients wishing for an initial and ongoing cash advances should make a request at time of agreement negotiation. The amount requested for payment of an initial cash advance will include an estimated schedule of costs incurred in the initial 30 days. The Subrecipient must be able to provide documentation to HOST staff for verification of incurred costs for the previous month's cash advance prior to receiving a future month's cash advance. If a cash advance is received, Subrecipient must provide documentation of how the previously paid month's cash advance was expended prior to submitting an invoice for the next month's cash advance. Requests for payment of a cash advance will include an estimated schedule of costs incurred in the subsequent month. If any portion of a cash advance is unspent from the prior period, the cash advance request must show the amount of unspent funds from the prior period and how it will be used in the estimated schedule of costs for the following month. Subrecipient must provide supporting documentation for all payments. Under no circumstances will an additional reimbursement or advance be considered until the previous advance documentation is received and approved by HOST staff.

Interest:

Per Section 200.305(b)(8) of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), to paraphrase, if the contractor expects it can earn more than \$500.00 in interest per

year on advances, then it must maintain the funds in an interest-bearing account and refund interest amounts that exceed \$500.00 annually. Up to \$500.00 can be retained for administrative purposes; refer to 200.305(b)(9) for details regarding repayment.

Per Section 200.305(b)(1) of the Uniform Guidance, to paraphrase, the contractor should maintain written procedures that address the requirement to minimize the time between the receipt and disbursement of funds.

This is a link to the above regulations:

https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=3dd26094b97303f1949f54e04911ea45&mc=true&node=se2.1.200_11&rgn=div8

B. Invoicing Requirements

1. To meet Government requirements for current, auditable books at all times, it is required that all vouchers be submitted monthly to HOST in order to be paid. Expenses cannot be reimbursed until the funds under this contract have been encumbered.
2. No more than four (4) vouchers may be submitted per contract per month, without prior approval from HOST.
3. All vouchers for all Agreements must be correctly submitted within thirty (30) days of the Agreement end date to allow for correct and prompt closeout.
4. City and County of Denver Forms shall be used in back-up documents whenever required in the Voucher Processing Policy.
5. For contracts subject to Federal Agreements, only allowable costs determined in accordance with 2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Parts 200, 215, 220, 225 and 230, “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards” (the “OMB Omni Circular”) applicable to the organization incurring the cost will be reimbursed.
6. The reimbursement request, or draw request, for personnel and non-personnel expenses should be submitted to the City on a monthly basis, no later than the 15th day of the following month for expenses incurred in the prior month. The request for reimbursement should include:
 - a. Amount of the request in total and by line item.
 - b. Period of services for current reimbursement.
 - c. Budget balance in total and by line item.
 - d. Authorization for reimbursement by the contract signatory (i.e., executive director or assistant director).
7. If another person has been authorized by the Contractor to request reimbursement for services provided by this contract, then the authorization should be forwarded in writing to HOST prior to the draw request.
8. The standardized HOST “Expense Certification Form” should be included with each payment request to provide the summary and authorization required for reimbursement.

C. Payroll

1. A summary sheet should be included to detail the gross salary of the employee, amount of the salary to be reimbursed, the name of the employee, and the position of the employee. If the employee is reimbursed only partially by this contract, the amount of salary billed under other contracts with the City or other organizations should be shown on the timesheet as described below. Two items are needed for verification of payroll: (1) the amount of time worked by the employee for this pay period; and (2) the amount of salary paid to the employee, including information on payroll deductions.
2. The amount of time worked will be verified with timesheets. The timesheets must include the actual hours worked under the terms of this contract, and the actual amount of time worked under other programs. The total hours worked during the period must reflect all actual hours worked under all programs including leave time. The employee's name, position, and signature, as well as a signature by an appropriate supervisor, or executive director, must be included on the timesheets. If an electronic time system is used, signatures are not required. If the timesheet submitted indicates that the employee provided services payable under this contract for a portion of the total time worked, then the amount of reimbursement requested must be calculated and documented in the monthly reimbursement request.
3. A payroll registers or payroll ledger from the accounting system will verify the amount of salary. Copies of paychecks are acceptable if they include the gross pay and deductions.

D. Fringe Benefits

1. Fringe benefits paid by the employer can be requested by applying the FICA match of 7.65 percent to the gross salary -less pre-tax deductions, if applicable, paid under this contract. Fringe benefits may also include medical plans, retirement plans, worker's compensation, and unemployment insurance. Fringe benefits that exceed the FICA match may be documented by
 - a. A breakdown of how the fringe benefit percentage was determined prior to first draw request; or
 - b. By submitting actual invoices for the fringe benefits. If medical insurance premiums are part of the estimates in item #1, one-time documentation of these costs will be required with the breakdown. Payroll taxes may be questioned if they appear to be higher than usual.
2. Fringe benefits include, but are not limited to, the costs of leave (vacation, family-related, sick, or military), employee insurance, pensions, and unemployment benefit plans. The cost of fringe benefits is allowable if they are provided under established written leave policies, the costs are equitably allocated to all funding sources, including HOST awards; and, the accounting basis (cash or accrual) selected for costing each type of leave is consistently followed by the vendor. HOST does not allow payments for unused leave when an employee retires or terminates employment.

E. General Reimbursement Requirements

1. Invoices: All non-personnel expenses need dated and readable invoices. The invoices must be from a vendor separate from the Contractor and must state what goods or services were provided and the delivery address. Verification that the

- goods or services were received should also be submitted, this may take the form of a receiving document or packing slips, signed, and dated by the individual receiving the good or service. Copies of checks written by the Contractor, or documentation of payment such as an accounts payable ledger which includes the check number shall be submitted to verify that the goods or services are on a reimbursement basis.
2. Mileage: A detailed mileage log with destinations and starting and ending mileage must accompany mileage reimbursement. The total miles reimbursed and per mile rate must be stated. Documentation of mileage reimbursement to the respective employee must be included with the voucher request.
 3. Cell Phone: If the monthly usage charge is exceeded in any month, an approval from the Executive Director or designee will be required.
 4. Administration and Overhead Cost: Other non-personnel line items, such as administration, or overhead need invoices, and an allocation to this program documented in the draw request. An indirect cost rate can be applied if the Contractor has an approved indirect cost allocation plan. The approved indirect cost rate must be submitted to HOST and reflected in the contract budget.
 5. Service Period and Closeout: All reimbursed expenses must be incurred during the time period within the contract. The final payment request must be received by HOST within thirty (30) days after the end of the service period stated in the contract.

F. Program Income

1. For contracts subject to Federal Agreements, program income includes, without limitation, income from fees for services performed, from the use or rental of real or personal property acquired with contract funds, from the sale of commodities or items fabricated under a contract agreement, and from payments of principal and interest on loans made with contract funds.
2. Program income may be deducted from total allowable costs to determine net allowable costs and may be used for current reimbursable costs under the terms of this contract. Program income which was not anticipated at the time of the award may be used to reduce the award contribution rather than to increase the funds committed to the project. ALL PROGRAM INCOME GENERATED DURING ANY GIVEN PERIOD SUBMITTED FOR PAYMENT SHALL BE DOCUMENTED ON THE INVOICE REQUEST.
3. The Contractor, at the end of the program, may be required to remit to the City all or a part of any program income balances (including investments thereof) held by the Contractor (except AS PRE-APPROVED IN WRITING BY HOST, INCLUDING those needed for immediate cash needs).

G. Budget Modification Requests

1. HOST may, at its option, restrict the transfer of funds among cost categories, programs, functions, or activities at its discretion as deemed appropriate by program staff, HOST executive management or its designee.
2. Budget Modifications may be required for changes related to increase or decrease of individual budget line items within an approved budget, to add budget line items, or to make changes to a budget narrative. A budget modification can adjust the award amount available for purposes outlined within the executed contract but cannot

- increase or decrease the total contract amount or assign resources to a purpose not already included in the original contract agreement.
3. Budget modifications will require submittal of written justification and new budget documents by the Contractor. These budget documents will require approval by HOST program, contracting and financial staff.
 4. The Contractor understands that any budget modification requests under this Agreement must be submitted to HOST after the 30 days the contract Agreement start date and before the last Quarter of the fiscal period, unless waived in writing by the HOST Deputy Director or their designee.
 5. Budget modification requests are limited to two per each fiscal year of a contract agreement term. Exceptions to this limit may be made by the HOST Deputy Director or their designee.

H. Contract Amendments

1. All contract modifications that increase or decrease award amount, alter the contract term date and/or change the scope of work will require an amendment to this Agreement executed in the same manner as the original Agreement.

I. Financial Management Systems

The Contractor must maintain financial systems that meet the following standards:

1. Financial reporting must be accurate, current, and provide a complete disclosure of the financial results of financially assisted activities and be made in accordance with federal and/or city financial reporting requirements.
2. Accounting records must be maintained which adequately identify the source and application of the funds provided for financially assisted activities. The records must contain information pertaining to contracts and authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, liabilities, outlays or expenditures, and income. Accounting records shall provide accurate, separate, and complete disclosure of fund status.
3. Effective internal controls and accountability must be maintained for all contract cash, real and personal property, and other assets. Adequate safeguards must be provided on all property, and it must be assured that it is used solely for authorized purposes.
4. Actual expenditures or outlays must be compared with budgeted amounts and financial information must be related to performance or productivity data, including the development of cost information whenever appropriate or specifically required.
5. For contracts subject to Federal Agreements, applicable OMB Omni Circular cost principles, agency program regulations, and the terms of the agreement will be followed in determining the reasonableness, allowability and allocability of costs.
6. Source documents such as cancelled checks, paid bills, payrolls, time and attendance records, contract documents, etc., shall be provided for all disbursements. The Contractor will maintain auditable records, i.e., records must be current and traceable to the source documentation of transactions.
7. For contracts subject to Federal Agreements, the Contractor shall maintain separate accountability for HOST funds as referenced in 2 C.F.R. 200.

8. The Contractor must properly report to Federal, State, and local taxing authorities for the collection, payment, and depositing of taxes withheld. At a minimum, this includes Federal and State withholding, State Unemployment, Worker's Compensation (staff only), City Occupational Privilege Tax, and FICA.
9. A proper filing of unemployment and worker's compensation (for staff only) insurance shall be made to appropriate organizational units.
10. The Contractor shall participate, when applicable, in HOST provided staff training sessions.

J. Monitoring Requirements

1. Monitoring may be performed by the program area, contract administration and financial services throughout the term of the agreement. Contractor will be notified in writing 30 days prior to facilitation of contract monitoring.
2. Program or Managerial Monitoring: The quality of the services being provided and the effectiveness of those services addressing the needs of the program. This may include reviewing the current spending and outcomes to date for the contract.
3. Contract Monitoring: Review and analysis of current program information to determine the extent to which contractors are achieving established contractual goals. HOST will conduct performance monitoring and reporting reviews. This includes reviewing the current spending and outcomes to date for the contract. City staff will address any performance issues and require a corrective action plan to resolve concerns.
4. Compliance Monitoring: Will ensure that the terms of the contract document are met, as well as Federal, State and City legal requirements, standards, and policies.

K. Audit Requirements

1. For Federal Agreements subject to 2 C.F.R. 200, a copy of the final audit report must be submitted to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the auditor's report, or nine (9) months after the end of the period audited.
2. All audit related material and information, including reports, packages, management letters, correspondence, etc., shall be submitted to **HOST Financial Services Team**.
3. The Contractor will be responsible for all Disallowed Costs.
4. The Contractor may be required to engage an audit committee to determine the services to be performed, review the progress of the audit and the final audit findings, and intervene in any disputes between management and the independent auditors. The Contractor shall also institute policy and procedures for its sub recipients that comply with these audit provisions, if applicable.

L. Procurement

1. The Contractor shall follow the City Procurement Policy to the extent that it requires that at least three (3) documented quotations be secured for all purchases or services supplies, or other property that costs more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in the aggregate.
2. The Contractor will ensure selected vendor or proposer has required insurance once the Contractor identifies a successful vendor or proposer.

3. The Contractor will maintain records sufficient to detail the significant history of procurement. These records will include but are not limited to the following: rationale for the method of procurement, selection of contract type, contractor selection or rejection, and the basis for the contract price.
4. For contracts subject to federal agreements, if there is a residual inventory of unused supplies exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in total aggregate upon termination or completion of award, and if the supplies are not needed for any other federally sponsored programs or projects the Contractor will compensate the awarding agency for its share.

M. Bonding

1. If applicable, for contracts subject to federal agreements, HOST may require adequate fidelity bond coverage, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200, where the subrecipient lacks sufficient coverage to protect the Federal Government's interest.

N. Records Retention

1. In addition to the records requirements contained in the Agreement, the Contractor (or subrecipient) must also retain for seven (7) years financial records pertaining to the contract award. The retention period for the records of each fund will start on the day the single or last expenditure report for the period, except as otherwise noted, was submitted to the awarding agency.
2. The awarding agency and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives, shall have the right of access, upon reasonable notice, to any pertinent books, documents, papers, or other records which are pertinent to the contract, in order to make audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcripts.

O. Contract Close-Out

1. All Contractors are responsible for completing required HOST contract close-out forms and submitting these forms to their appropriate HOST Contract Specialist within sixty (60) days after the Agreement end date, or sooner if required by HOST in writing.
2. Contract close out forms will be provided to the Contractor by HOST within thirty (30) days prior to end of contract.
3. HOST will close out the award when it determines that all applicable administrative actions and all required work of the contract have been completed. If Contractor fails to perform in accordance with this Agreement, HOST reserves the right to unilaterally close out a contract, "unilaterally close" means that no additional money may be expended against the contract.

P. Collection of Amounts Due

1. Any funds paid to a Contractor in excess of the amount to which the Contractor is determined to be entitled under the terms of the award constitute a debt to the City and County of Denver. If not paid within a reasonable period after demand HOST may:
 - a. makes an administrative offset against other requests for reimbursements.
 - b. withholds advance payments otherwise due to the Contractor; or

- c. other action permitted by law.
2. The Contractor shall participate, when applicable, in HOST provided staff training sessions in the following financial areas including, but not limited to Budgeting and Cost Allocation Plans, and Invoicing Process.

IX. Budget

Contract Program Budget Summary							
Contractor Name:	The Community Firm (DBA The Community Economic Defense Project)		City Contract #:	HOST 202371132			
Project :	Temporary Rental and Utility Assistance (TRUA)						
Contract Term:	From:	1/1/2024	To:	12/31/2024			
Program/Fiscal Year:	2024						
Budget Category	Agency Total (All Funding Sources for Agency)	American Rescue Plan Act - HOST Funding 2024	Affordable Housing Property Tax -HOST Funding 2024	Total Costs requested from HOST	Agency Total		Budget Narrative
Personnel: Job Title	Total	Amount	Amount	HOST Total	Amount	%	
Tenant Advocates	\$227,500	\$0	\$227,500	\$227,500	\$227,500	100.00%	3.5 FTE of Tenant Advocate positions at \$65,000/yr each. Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.
Resource Specialists & Navigators	\$130,000	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	100.00%	2 FTE of Resource Navigator positions at \$65,000/yr each. Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.
Supervisor	\$36,500	\$0	\$36,500	\$36,500	\$36,500	100.00%	Staff supervision, partial FTE Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.
Case & Compliance Reviewer	\$32,500	\$0	\$32,500	\$32,500	\$32,500	100.00%	Case Compliance Reviewer's time. Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.
Compliance Director	\$18,300	\$0	\$18,300	\$18,300	\$18,300	100.00%	Case Compliance Supervision and Director. Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.
Staff Accountant	\$16,250	\$0	\$16,250	\$16,250	\$16,250	100.00%	Partial FTE Dedicated time on program Accounts Payable staff Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.
Program Leadership/Oversight	\$18,000	\$0	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	100.00%	Direct Program time of the Chief Program Officer working directly on the grant activities. Full-time wages will be reimbursed at cost for work on this contract. HOST will not pay for bonuses, severances, or payouts of leave when an employee separates from their job. Please see the Financial Administration Payroll and Fringe Benefits section. Short Description of position(s). Identify if position(s) are full-time or part-time and/or if salary or hourly rate.

Budget Category	Agency Total (All Funding Sources for Agency)	American Rescue Plan Act - HOST Funding 2024	Affordable Housing Property Tax -HOST Funding 2024	Total Costs requested from HOST	Agency Total		Budget Narrative
Total Salary:	\$479,050	\$0	\$479,050	\$479,050	\$479,050	100.00%	
Fringe Benefits	\$95,810		\$95,810	\$95,810	\$95,810	100.00%	Payroll and Fringe benefits. Payroll taxes calculated at 7.65% of salary after pre-tax deductions and Fringe at cost based on percentage of time spent. Averaged at 20% of Salaries.
Total Salary and Fringe Benefits:	\$574,860	\$0	\$574,860	\$574,860	\$574,860	100.00%	
Other Direct Costs	Total	Amount	Amount	Subtotal	Amount	%	
Financial Assistance (Includes Rent, Utility, and Re-Housing)	\$6,712,673	\$6,000,000	\$712,673	\$6,712,673	\$6,712,673	100.00%	Program specific-Eligible Costs may include 1) Short-Term rent, Medium-term rent, Rental Arrears (Rent to be paid according to HOST contract); 2) gas, electric, and water assistance for client (Payment to be made directly to utility provider); and 3) relocation assistance (Payment to be paid according to HOST contract).
Programatic Software	\$44,685	\$0	\$44,685	\$44,685	\$44,685	100.00%	CRM, Payment Software Costs which included postage and processing costs, other licence or subscription based software needed by employees to fulfil job responsibilities. These are charged at cost and allocated based on payroll time & effort, estimated at approximately \$6,000 per employee per year and approximately \$500/per month in Payment software fees and postage, shipping, expedited payments.
Equipment and Supplies	\$4,300	\$0	\$4,300	\$4,300	\$4,300	100.00%	Office supplies for program staff, including needed computer equipment. Calculated at \$1000 per computer @1, Office supplies \$50/month per employee. \$50x5.5x12
Transportation	\$1,572	\$0	\$1,572	\$1,572	\$1,572	100.00%	Estimated at 200 miles/month or 36.6 miles per FTE x 12 months. 2400 miles @\$0.655/mile. Transportation must be associated with the scope of work. There will be no reimbursements for costs associated with legal infractions (tickets, fines, penalties, etc.). Mileage must be tracked in a mileage log approved by employee's supervisor that is subject to
Total Other Direct Costs	6,763,230	\$6,000,000	\$763,230	\$6,763,230	\$1,572	0.02%	
Total Salaries, Fringe and Other Direct Costs	\$ 7,338,090	\$ 6,000,000.00	\$ 1,338,090.00	\$ 7,338,090.00	576,432	7.86%	
Indirect Costs							
Indirect Costs	\$62,542	\$0	\$62,542	\$62,542	\$62,542	100.00%	Indirect calculated 10 % of Salaries, Fringe and allowable Direct Costs.
Total Project Cost (Direct + Indirect)	7,400,632	6,000,000	1,400,632	\$7,400,632	\$7,400,632	0	0
Grand Total	7,400,632	6,000,000	1,400,632	\$7,400,632	\$7,400,632	100.00%	



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

11/8/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

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B	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) <input type="checkbox"/> Y / N If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below		N / A	76WEGAJ7HHJ	1/5/2023	1/5/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000
C	Cyber/Network Liabil			D96057544	4/30/2023	4/30/2024	Each Claim \$ 1,000,000
D	Directors and Office			8263-2450	6/6/2023	6/6/2024	Each Claim/Aggregate \$ 1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

City and County of Denver, Department of Housing Stability
 201 West Colfax Avenue
 Denver, CO 80202

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Exhibit C

OMB Approved No.:1505-0271
Expiration Date: 11/30/2021

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

Recipient name and address: City and County of Denver 201 West Colfax Avenue, Dept. 1010 Denver, Colorado 80202	DUNS Number: 080483932 Taxpayer Identification Number: 846000580 Assistance Listing Number and Title: 21.019
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Sections 602(b) and 603(b) of the Social Security Act (the Act) as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) authorize the Department of the Treasury (Treasury) to make payments to certain recipients from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund.

Recipient hereby agrees, as a condition to receiving such payment from Treasury, to the terms attached hereto.

Recipient:

 Authorized Representative:
 Title:
 Date signed:

U.S. Department of the Treasury:

 Authorized Representative:
 Title:
 Date signed:

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND
AWARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Use of Funds.
 - a. Recipient understands and agrees that the funds disbursed under this award may only be used in compliance with section 603(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act), Treasury's regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
 - b. Recipient will determine prior to engaging in any project using this assistance that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of such project.
2. Period of Performance. The period of performance for this award begins on the date hereof and ends on December 31, 2026. As set forth in Treasury's implementing regulations, Recipient may use award funds to cover eligible costs incurred during the period that begins on March 3, 2021, and ends on December 31, 2024.
3. Reporting. Recipient agrees to comply with any reporting obligations established by Treasury as they relate to this award.
4. Maintenance of and Access to Records
 - a. Recipient shall maintain records and financial documents sufficient to evidence compliance with section 603(c) of the Act, Treasury's regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
 - b. The Treasury Office of Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office, or their authorized representatives, shall have the right of access to records (electronic and otherwise) of Recipient in order to conduct audits or other investigations.
 - c. Records shall be maintained by Recipient for a period of five (5) years after all funds have been expended or returned to Treasury, whichever is later.
5. Pre-award Costs. Pre-award costs, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.458, may not be paid with funding from this award.
6. Administrative Costs. Recipient may use funds provided under this award to cover both direct and indirect costs.
7. Cost Sharing. Cost sharing or matching funds are not required to be provided by Recipient.
8. Conflicts of Interest. Recipient understands and agrees it must maintain a conflict of interest policy consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c) and that such conflict of interest policy is applicable to each activity funded under this award. Recipient and subrecipients must disclose in writing to Treasury or the pass-through entity, as appropriate, any potential conflict of interest affecting the awarded funds in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112.
9. Compliance with Applicable Law and Regulations.
 - a. Recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of section 602 of the Act, regulations adopted by Treasury pursuant to section 602(f) of the Act, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing. Recipient also agrees to comply with all other applicable federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders, and Recipient shall provide for such compliance by other parties in any agreements it enters into with other parties relating to this award.
 - b. Federal regulations applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
 - i. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, other than such provisions as Treasury may determine are inapplicable to this Award and subject to such exceptions as may be otherwise provided by Treasury. Subpart F – Audit Requirements of the Uniform Guidance, implementing the Single Audit Act, shall apply to this award.
 - ii. Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM), 2 C.F.R. Part 25, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 25 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - iii. Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information, 2 C.F.R. Part 170, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 170 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - iv. OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement), 2 C.F.R. Part 180, including the requirement to include a term or condition in all lower tier covered transactions (contracts and subcontracts described in 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart B) that the award is subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

- v. Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters, pursuant to which the award term set forth in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII to Part 200 is hereby incorporated by reference.
 - vi. Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace, 31 C.F.R. Part 20.
 - vii. New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 C.F.R. Part 21.
 - viii. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655) and implementing regulations.
 - ix. Generally applicable federal environmental laws and regulations.
- c. Statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following:
- i. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury’s implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance;
 - ii. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability;
 - iii. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance;
 - iv. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.), and Treasury’s implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and
 - v. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.
10. Remedial Actions. In the event of Recipient’s noncompliance with section 602 of the Act, other applicable laws, Treasury’s implementing regulations, guidance, or any reporting or other program requirements, Treasury may impose additional conditions on the receipt of a subsequent tranche of future award funds, if any, or take other available remedies as set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. In the case of a violation of section 602(c) of the Act regarding the use of funds, previous payments shall be subject to recoupment as provided in section 602(e) of the Act and any additional payments may be subject to withholding as provided in sections 602(b)(6)(A)(ii)(III) of the Act, as applicable.
11. Hatch Act. Recipient agrees to comply, as applicable, with requirements of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328), which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by this federal assistance.
12. False Statements. Recipient understands that making false statements or claims in connection with this award is a violation of federal law and may result in criminal, civil, or administrative sanctions, including fines, imprisonment, civil damages and penalties, debarment from participating in federal awards or contracts, and/or any other remedy available by law.
13. Publications. Any publications produced with funds from this award must display the following language: “This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number [enter project FAIN] awarded to [name of Recipient] by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.”
14. Debts Owed the Federal Government.
- a. Any funds paid to Recipient (1) in excess of the amount to which Recipient is finally determined to be authorized to retain under the terms of this award; (2) that are determined by the Treasury Office of Inspector General to have been misused; or (3) that are determined by Treasury to be subject to a repayment obligation pursuant to sections 602(e) and 603(b)(2)(D) of the Act and have not been repaid by Recipient shall constitute a debt to the federal government.
 - b. Any debts determined to be owed the federal government must be paid promptly by Recipient. A debt is delinquent if it has not been paid by the date specified in Treasury’s initial written demand for payment, unless other satisfactory arrangements have been made or if the Recipient knowingly or improperly retains funds that are a debt as defined in paragraph 14(a). Treasury will take any actions available to it to collect such a debt.
15. Disclaimer.

- a. The United States expressly disclaims any and all responsibility or liability to Recipient or third persons for the actions of Recipient or third persons resulting in death, bodily injury, property damages, or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any contract, or subcontract under this award.
- b. The acceptance of this award by Recipient does not in any way establish an agency relationship between the United States and Recipient.

16. Protections for Whistleblowers.

- a. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, Recipient may not discharge, demote, or otherwise discriminate against an employee in reprisal for disclosing to any of the list of persons or entities provided below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a federal contract or grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant.
- b. The list of persons and entities referenced in the paragraph above includes the following:
 - i. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress;
 - ii. An Inspector General;
 - iii. The Government Accountability Office;
 - iv. A Treasury employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management;
 - v. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency;
 - vi. A court or grand jury; or
 - vii. A management official or other employee of Recipient, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct.
- c. Recipient shall inform its employees in writing of the rights and remedies provided under this section, in the predominant native language of the workforce.

17. Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States. Pursuant to Executive Order 13043, 62 FR 19217 (Apr. 18, 1997), Recipient should encourage its contractors to adopt and enforce on-the-job seat belt policies and programs for their employees when operating company-owned, rented or personally owned vehicles.

18. Reducing Text Messaging While Driving. Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, 74 FR 51225 (Oct. 6, 2009), Recipient should encourage its employees, subrecipients, and contractors to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving, and Recipient should establish workplace safety policies to decrease accidents caused by distracted drivers.

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ASSURANCES OF COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS
ASSURANCES OF COMPLIANCE WITH TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

As a condition of receipt of federal financial assistance from the Department of the Treasury, the recipient named below (hereinafter referred to as the "Recipient") provides the assurances stated herein. The federal financial assistance may include federal grants, loans and contracts to provide assistance to the Recipient's beneficiaries, the use or rent of Federal land or property at below market value, Federal training, a loan of Federal personnel, subsidies, and other arrangements with the intention of providing assistance. Federal financial assistance does not encompass contracts of guarantee or insurance, regulated programs, licenses, procurement contracts by the Federal government at market value, or programs that provide direct benefits.

The assurances apply to all federal financial assistance from or funds made available through the Department of the Treasury, including any assistance that the Recipient may request in the future.

The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 provides that the provisions of the assurances apply to all of the operations of the Recipient's program(s) and activity(ies), so long as any portion of the Recipient's program(s) or activity(ies) is federally assisted in the manner prescribed above.

1. Recipient ensures its current and future compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, which prohibits exclusion from participation, denial of the benefits of, or subjection to discrimination under programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance, of any person in the United States on the ground of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), as implemented by the Department of the Treasury Title VI regulations at 31 CFR Part 22 and other pertinent executive orders such as Executive Order 13166, directives, circulars, policies, memoranda, and/or guidance documents.
2. Recipient acknowledges that Executive Order 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency," seeks to improve access to federally assisted programs and activities for individuals who, because of national origin, have Limited English proficiency (LEP). Recipient understands that denying a person access to its programs, services, and activities because of LEP is a form of national origin discrimination prohibited under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Department of the Treasury's implementing regulations. Accordingly, Recipient shall initiate reasonable steps, or comply with the Department of the Treasury's directives, to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to its programs, services, and activities. Recipient understands and agrees that meaningful access may entail providing language assistance services, including oral interpretation and written translation where necessary, to ensure effective communication in the Recipient's programs, services, and activities.
3. Recipient agrees to consider the need for language services for LEP persons when Recipient develops applicable budgets and conducts programs, services, and activities. As a resource, the Department of the Treasury has published its LEP guidance at 70 FR 6067. For more information on taking reasonable steps to provide meaningful access for LEP persons, please visit <http://www.lep.gov>.
4. Recipient acknowledges and agrees that compliance with the assurances constitutes a condition of continued receipt of federal financial assistance and is binding upon Recipient and Recipient's successors, transferees, and assignees for the period in which such assistance is provided.
5. Recipient acknowledges and agrees that it must require any sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, successors, transferees, and assignees to comply with assurances 1-4 above, and agrees to incorporate the following language in every contract or agreement subject to Title VI and its regulations between the Recipient and the Recipient's sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, successors, transferees, and assignees:

The sub-grantee, contractor, subcontractor, successor, transferee, and assignee shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from excluding from a program or activity, denying benefits of, or otherwise discriminating against a person on the basis of race, color, or national origin (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract (or agreement). Title VI also includes protection to persons with "Limited English Proficiency" in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., as implemented by the Department of the Treasury's Title VI regulations, 31 CFR Part 22, and herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract or agreement.

6. Recipient understands and agrees that if any real property or structure is provided or improved with the aid of federal financial assistance by the Department of the Treasury, this assurance obligates the Recipient, or in the case of a subsequent transfer, the transferee, for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose for which the federal

financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits. If any personal property is provided, this assurance obligates the Recipient for the period during which it retains ownership or possession of the property.

7. Recipient shall cooperate in any enforcement or compliance review activities by the Department of the Treasury of the aforementioned obligations. Enforcement may include investigation, arbitration, mediation, litigation, and monitoring of any settlement agreements that may result from these actions. The Recipient shall comply with information requests, on-site compliance reviews and reporting requirements.
8. Recipient shall maintain a complaint log and inform the Department of the Treasury of any complaints of discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, and limited English proficiency covered by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and implementing regulations and provide, upon request, a list of all such reviews or proceedings based on the complaint, pending or completed, including outcome. Recipient also must inform the Department of the Treasury if Recipient has received no complaints under Title VI.
9. Recipient must provide documentation of an administrative agency’s or court’s findings of non-compliance of Title VI and efforts to address the non-compliance, including any voluntary compliance or other agreements between the Recipient and the administrative agency that made the finding. If the Recipient settles a case or matter alleging such discrimination, the Recipient must provide documentation of the settlement. If Recipient has not been the subject of any court or administrative agency finding of discrimination, please so state.
10. If the Recipient makes sub-awards to other agencies or other entities, the Recipient is responsible for ensuring that sub-recipients also comply with Title VI and other applicable authorities covered in this document State agencies that make sub-awards must have in place standard grant assurances and review procedures to demonstrate that they are effectively monitoring the civil rights compliance of subrecipients.

The United States of America has the right to seek judicial enforcement of the terms of this assurances document and nothing in this document alters or limits the federal enforcement measures that the United States may take in order to address violations of this document or applicable federal law.

Under penalty of perjury, the undersigned official(s) certifies that official(s) has read and understood the Recipient’s obligations as herein described, that any information submitted in conjunction with this assurances document is accurate and complete, and that the Recipient is in compliance with the aforementioned nondiscrimination requirements.

City and County of Denver
Recipient

Date

Signature of Authorized Official

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