# **OED ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST**

Please mark one:	🗌 Bill Re	equest	or	X Resolution Reque	Date of Request: <u>1/7/19</u> st
1. Type of Request:					
Contract/Grant Ag	greement	🗌 Inter	governme	ntal Agreement (IGA)	Rezoning/Text Amendment
Dedication/Vacati	on		Appropria	ation/Supplemental	DRMC Change
Other:					

**2.** Title: Creates a contract between the Office of Economic Development and the Colorado Health Network Inc. in the amount of \$1,414,306 for the latter to deliver Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) programs for a wide range of housing, social services, and support services for this special needs population.

### 3. Requesting Agency: Office of Economic Development

#### 4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed	Contact person to present item at Mayor-Council and			
ordinance/resolution	Council			
Name: Melissa Thate 720-913-1702	Name: Susan Liehe 720-913-1689			
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5. General a text description or background of the proposed request, if not included as an executive summary.

X See Executive Summary

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

7. City Council District: Citywide

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

## **Key Contract Terms**

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

Vendor/Contractor Name: Colorado Health Network Inc.

RR19 0016

#### Contract control number: OEDEV-201846917-00

Location: Citywide

Is this a new contract? X Yes 🗌 No 🛛 Is this an Amendment? 🗌 Yes X No

**Contract Term/Duration:** January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

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

Current Contract Amount	Additional Funds	Total Contract Amount		
(A)	(B)	(A+B)		
\$1,414,306	0	\$1,414,306		
Current Contract Term	Added Time	New Ending Date		
1/1/19 – 12/31/19	0	12/31/19		

**Was this contractor selected by competitive process?** Yes. This project was selected for funding through OED's Fall 2018 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), an annual citywide call for proposals on a range of housing and neighborhood projects funded through Denver's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), other HUD funds such as HOME and Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA), and the city's Dedicated Fund for Affordable Housing. Funding for this contract comes solely from HOPWA. The full list of awardees through the NOFA for 2019 will be released later in 1Q 2019 when all contract negotiations are complete.

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

Source of funds: HOPWA (HUD)

Is this contract subject to:	W/MBF		XO101	ACDBE X N/	Δ
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WBE/MBE/DBE commitments (construction, design, DEN concession contracts): N/A

Who are the subcontractors to this contract? N/A

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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