



Legislation Text

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Contract Request Template (Contracts; IGAs; Leases)

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Requesting Agency: County Court
Division:

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Item Title & Description:

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A resolution approving and providing for the execution of a proposed Grant Agreement between the City and County of Denver and the Caring for Denver Foundation concerning the "Forensic Peer Navigators" program and the funding therefor.

Approves a grant agreement with Caring for Denver Foundation for \$600,000 and through 8-31-22 to expand services to the Denver County Court Problem Solving Courts by adding Forensic Peer Navigators to better support individuals involved in the Denver County Court system (COURT-202055864). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 10-26-20. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 9-23-20.

Affected Council District(s) or citywide? Citywide

Contract Control Number: COURT-202055864

Vendor/Contractor Name (including any "DBA"): Caring for Denver Foundation

Type and Scope of services to be performed:

Denver County Court submitted a grant application to Caring for Denver to expand services to their existing problem-solving courts by implementing a Forensic Peer Navigator Program. On July 22, 2020, Denver County Court received Notice of Grant Award. On August 26, 2020, Denver County Court and Caring for Denver executed a grant agreement for \$300,000/year for a total of two years with a total grant award of \$600,000. (Grant ID: GR00001615, Award number: AWD-00000970, Jaggaer contract number: COURT-202055864).

Individuals involved in and coming out of the criminal justice system face barriers to reintegration to the community at every turn, including but not limited to, lack of substance misuse and mental health treatment, housing, sparse employment opportunities and abridged access to medical and prenatal care. These impediments and barriers pose serious threats to recovery and success of individuals.

The experience with the criminal justice system impacts an individual's life in many ways and it is best understood by individuals who have experienced it as a consumer. Forensic Peer Navigators will help increase treatment engagement and recovery, help support sense of hope and self-empowerment, improve social functioning and overall quality of life, and decrease hospitalizations.

The peers will be accessible through the Court's specialty programs and dockets, at a minimum. Currently these include the Helping, Engaging, Motivating (HEM) Program, Wellness Court (a mental health treatment court), Sobriety Court (a DUI Treatment Court), and REACH (Resilience, Empowerment, Autonomy, Community, Hope) with an expected launch Fall 2020. The peers will be available for direct connection in courtrooms, able to meet with individuals outside of probation/court, support participants going to treatment agencies and service providers, facilitate transportation or travel with participants to treatment agencies/providers, support participants in obtaining and attending intakes, and be a bridge between the returning individual and the community.

Location (if applicable):

WBE/MBE/DBE goals that were applied, if applicable (construction, design, Airport concession contracts):

Are WBE/MBE/DBE goals met (if applicable)?

Is the contract new/a renewal/extension or amendment?

Was this contractor selected by competitive process or sole source?

Competitive process

For New contracts

Term of initial contract: 9/1/2020 to 8/31/2022

Options for Renewal:

How many renewals (i.e. up to 2 renewals)?

Term of any renewals (i.e. 1 year each):

Cost of initial contract term: \$600,000

Cost of any renewals:

Total contract value council is approving if all renewals exercised:

For Amendments/Renewals Extensions:

Is this a change to cost/pricing; length of term; terms unrelated to time or price (List all that apply)?

If length changing

What was the length of the term of the original contract?

What is the length of the extension/renewal?

What is the revised total term of the contract?

If cost changing

What was the original value of the entire contract prior to this proposed change?

What is the value of the proposed change?

What is the new/revised total value including change?

If terms changing

Describe the change and the reason for it (i.e. compliance with state law, different way of doing business etc.)