



Legislation Text

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**Contract Request Template (Contracts; IGAs; Leases)**

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**Requesting Agency: Office of Children's Affairs**  
**Division:**

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**Item Title & Description:**

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**A resolution approving a proposed Agreement between the City and County of Denver and La Raza Services, Inc. to support youth behavioral health services and provide counseling, mental wellness, and other wrap-around programming, citywide.**

Approves a contract with La Raza Services, Inc., doing business as Servicios de la Raza, Inc., for \$1,000,000 and through 12-31-2024 to expand behavioral health services for approximately 200 youth ages 11-25 by hiring four new staff positions to support youth behavioral health services and providing counseling, mental wellness, and other wrap-around programming, citywide (MOEAI-202367315). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 5-15-2023. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 4-12-2023.

**Affected Council District(s) or citywide? Citywide**

**Contract Control Number:** MOEAI-202367315

**Vendor/Contractor Name (including any "DBA"):** La Raza Services, Inc d/b/a Servicios de la Raza, Inc.

**Type and Scope of services to be performed:**

La Raza Services, Inc. Has a solid reputation for providing quality mental and behavioral health services to youth in Denver. This contract is designed to support the work that is critically needed in Denver neighborhoods and communities that are experiencing high rates of violence.

This funding will support the expansion of Servicios' behavioral health services targeting youth ages 11-25. Through this project, the Behavioral Health department will create and customize programming and establish new staff positions, including a Youth Services Manager, a Youth Prevention Coordinator, Youth Engagement Specialists, and one additional Behavioral Health Therapist. The goal is to connect with youth in high need areas and promote connection, mental wellness, leadership, and identity development. Through the facilitation of direct services and wrap-around support identified in the scope of work, Servicios believes that the goals will be accomplished while increasing access to culturally responsive and linguistically specific services across our communities. All programming will include being connected to behavioral health services including individual and family therapy, substance misuse services, other Servicios program resources as well as connection to resources from partner organizations.

**Location (if applicable):**

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

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

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

New

**Was this contractor selected by competitive process or sole source?**

Sole-Ability to meet an urgent need with no interruption in services

**For New contracts**

**Term of initial contract:**

01/01/2023 - 12/31/2024

**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: \$1 million**

**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.)**