



Legislation Text

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

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**Requesting Agency: Department of Housing Stability  
Division:**

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**Item Title & Description:**

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**A resolution approving a proposed Contract between the City and County of Denver and Impact Charitable to provide direct cash assistance as part of the Denver Basic Income Project to 140 individuals experiencing homelessness targeting women, transgendered and non-gender conforming individuals.**

Approves a contract with Impact Charitable for \$2,000,000 and through 6-30-2024 to provide direct cash assistance as part of the Denver Basic Income Project to 140 women, transgendered and non-gender conforming individuals, and families experiencing homelessness, citywide (HOST-202263678). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 10-3-2022. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 8-31-2022.

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

**Contract Control Number:** HOST-202263678

**Vendor/Contractor Name (including any "DBA"):** Impact Charitable

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

Approves a contract with Impact Charitable, the fiscal sponsor of the Denver Basic Income Project, a demonstration project providing direct cash payments to 820 individuals and families experiencing homelessness, of which this contract will support 140 women, transgendered and non-gender conforming individuals, and families in shelters.

The program will be evaluated by University of Denver's Center for Housing and Homelessness Research using a randomized control trial. Several measures will be monitored over the course of the program, such as housing outcomes, utilization of shelter and other homeless services, improvements in psychological health and substance use, and other domains of wellbeing for those who opt into the evaluation.

Peer cities with similar programs (including Stockton, CA, Vancouver, Richmond, VA, Los Angeles, and New York) are finding that basic income resulted in many positive outcomes, and research shows this approach supports:

- Increases in full time employment;
- Individuals moving to stable housing sooner;
- Increases in spending on necessities and recurring staples, such as food, transportation, utilities;
- Increased food security; and
- Reductions in spending on alcohol, drugs, and cigarettes.

The Denver Basic Income Project (DBIP) is a local pilot of basic income through philanthropic support that will be evaluated by the University of Denver. It is a 12-month program providing unconditional cash transfers to unhoused people living in Denver. The aims of the program are to test the feasibility and impact of basic income for unhoused people. The program will be deemed a success if, after the 12-month period, people who are unhoused in Denver and receive cash transfers totaling \$12,000 over the period are more securely housed and are experiencing improved outcomes compared to people who are unhoused and received a nominal cash transfer. Basic income promotes autonomous decisionmaking and allows recipients the ability to afford housing and basic necessities. Additionally, individuals must be connected to participating service providers to participate.

**Location (if applicable): Citywide**

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

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

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

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

**Sole-** the Denver Basic Income Project is the only basic income program operating for people experiencing homelessness in Denver, this was a sole source selection process.

**For New contracts**

**Term of initial contract:** 7/1/2022-6/30/2024

**Options for Renewal:**

**How many renewals (i.e. up to 2 renewals)? none**

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

**Cost of initial contract term: \$2,000,000**

**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.)**