

HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING AGREEMENT  
FIRST RENEWAL

DIVERSION SERVICES

Legistar ID Number: 24-0793D

THIS RENEWAL is effective upon the date executed below, by and between **PINELLAS COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as the "**COUNTY**", and **HOMELESS LEADERSHIP ALLIANCE OF PINELLAS, INC.**, a non-profit Florida corporation, whose address is 647 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701 hereinafter referred to as "**AGENCY**". The Parties hereby renew the Human Services Funding Agreement (Agreement) for a diversion program for homeless families and individuals between the **COUNTY** and **AGENCY** dated September 23, 2021, and amended on February 20, 2023.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** desires to utilize a portion of the funds available out of Pinellas County's General Fund to assist social service agencies within Pinellas County; and

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** recognizes that the **AGENCY** is providing an essential service within the community through its coordination and leadership of homeless services, shelter, and housing; and

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** has determined that the **AGENCY** has proven its dedication and efficiency in coordinating programs that benefit the homeless; and

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** is committed to supporting programs that seek to prevent and remedy the causes of homeless and move individuals and families from homelessness into permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 HUD established a commitment to Housing First, defined as an approach to homeless assistance that prioritizes rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing and does not have service participation requirements or preconditions such as sobriety or

a minimum income threshold and includes the minimum components: 1) removing barriers to entry; 2) establishing a coordinated entry system; 3) practicing client-centered service delivery; 4) prioritizing households most in need; and 5) ensuring inclusive decision-making; and

WHEREAS, the local Continuum of Care (COC) encourages and supports all programs that serve homeless individuals and families to operate from a Housing First model; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution 16-53, endorsing Housing First and the Coordinated Entry System in support of the COC, and

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** is committed to working with the **AGENCY** to support continued incorporation of Housing First best practices;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:


1. The above “WHEREAS” clauses are incorporated into and are made a part of this Agreement.
2. This Agreement is hereby renewed pursuant to Section 3 thereof, effective October 1, 2024, and continuing for a period of 24 months from that date unless terminated or cancelled as provided therein.
3. Except as herein provided, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain in full force and effect.

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed on the day and year written below.


PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, by and through its County Administrator

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
By: Cody J. Ward  
Office of the County Attorney

By:   
Barry A. Burton

Date: September 5, 2024

HOMELESS LEADERSHIP ALLIANCE  
OF PINELLAS, INC., a non-profit  
Florida Corporation

By:   
Daisy Corea, CEO

Date: Aug 26, 2024, 2024