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Florida Department of Children and Families
Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health
ATTN: Alicia Reifinger
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RE: DCF RFA #2324 011
Letter of Commitment – Pinellas County

Dear Ms. Reifinger:

The Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse (CJMHTSA) Reinvestment Grant (DCF RFA 2324 011), Section 3.7.8 requires that each organization involved in the implementation of the proposed project submit a letter of commitment reflecting the specific role of the individual or organization.

In accordance with the above requirement, please accept this letter as confirmation of the County's commitment to be an active participant in the proposed Treatment for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness. Pinellas County Human Services will serve in an administrative role on this grant and work closely with its partner providers to promote project coordination and ensure program compliance, accountability, and efficacy.

The primary goal of the Treatment for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness is to bridge gaps to services and improve stabilization outcomes for high-risk and justice-involved adults with substance use, mental health, or co-occurring disorders through coordinated care and service integration. Anticipated outcomes include a decrease in recidivism, relapse, and risk factors/behaviors; and improvements in employment, housing stability, and other factors.

Pinellas County and its partners understand that grant funding must be spent within 36 months from the date of execution of the Grant Agreement by the Department of Children and Families and that Implementation and Expansion Grants will not be renewed at the end of the 3-year period. The County and its partners will work together to identify strategies and opportunities for service sustainability at a level that continues to deliver the intended project benefits of the initiative after the termination of a grant award.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our proposal.

Sincerely,

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