

Pinellas County

Staff Report

File #: 23-0406A, Version: 1

Subject:

First Option of Renewal and Amendment 2 with Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. for the Pinellas Hope Emergency Shelter.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the First Option of Renewal and Amendment 2 with Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. for the Pinellas Hope Emergency Shelter.

- This renewal provides funding for Pinellas Hope, an emergency shelter which provides safe, temporary housing and support services to individuals and couples (not families) as they work toward self-sufficiency. The program provides emergency shelter, food, transportation, employment assistance to citizens facing homelessness.
- This renewal is for a two-year period for an amount not to exceed \$525,000.00 per year, for a total two-year amount of \$1,050,000.00. Funding in an amount not to exceed \$525,000.00 has been identified in the Human Services anticipated Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 General Fund appropriation. The annual funding amount includes a 5% increase that was added in FY23.
- This action amends the agreement to include additional requirements for disaster response.
- Funding in an amount not to exceed \$525,000.00 has been identified in the Human Services' anticipated FY24 General Fund appropriation. The annual funding amount includes a 5% increase that was added in FY23.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

- 2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community
- 2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need
- 2.4 Support programs that seek to prevent and remedy the causes of homelessness and move individuals and families from homelessness to permanent housing

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

- 5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach
- 5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources
- 5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

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Background Information:

In December 2007, Catholic Charities established Pinellas Hope in partnership with the local government, businesses, the interfaith community and other not-for-profits to provide approximately 250 units of temporary emergency shelter to homeless individuals. Pinellas Hope has expanded from what was known as a small tent city to a larger campus-style setting that includes approximately 160 tents, 70 Hope Cottages and 150 permanent supportive apartment units for veterans, chronic homeless individuals and other high need/high utilizer populations.

In FY22, Pinellas Hope served 1,444 clients and provided 73,644 shelter bed nights.

Fiscal Impact:

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Staff Member Responsible:

Karen B. Yatchum, Director, Human Services

Partners:

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc.

Attachments:

Renewal and Amendment 2