



Emergency Food and Shelter Program Funding & Professional Services Agreement

**City Council A Session
January 13, 2022**



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SUMMARY

- Ordinance authorizing the request & acceptance of an additional \$1,002,500 reimbursement for qualifying migrant services from the National Board of Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP) through American Rescue Plan Act
 - Total reimbursement up to \$1,957,888 for qualifying expenses incurred from January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022
- Amendment to Professional Services agreement with Catholic Charities of San Antonio, Inc. in an amount of \$500,000



BACKGROUND

- **March 11, 2021** - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was signed into law
 - Provides \$110 Millions to EFSP to defray the cost to provide shelter, food and supportive services to persons encountered by the Department of Homeland Security
- **Since January 1, 2021** - the City of San Antonio along with non-profit partners, has provided emergency shelter, food, transportation & support services
- **August 19, 2021** - San Antonio City Council approved a Professional Services Contract with Catholic Charities of San Antonio to provide resource coordination, migrant travel assistance, local transportation, hotel lodging and resource coordination
- **December 29, 2021** - Additional application period for reimbursement for expenses incurred during January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022 available

ISSUE

- Ordinance will allow the City and partners to continue providing service to migrants
 - Projected expenses approx. \$1,002,500 from January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022
- Authorize and amendment to the professional services agreement with Catholic Charities in an amount of \$500,000 for a total contract amount of \$700,000

ALTERNATIVES

- Human Services would need to reallocate funding to cover the cost of services, which may delay or withdraw services to migrants and negatively impact children and families



FISCAL IMPACT

The Department of Human Services will seek reimbursement quarterly through ARPA:

Eligible Reimbursement Period:	Human Services Expenses:
January 1, 2021 – March 31, 2021	\$90,296.11 <small>(awarded)</small>
April 1, 2021 – June 30, 2021	\$49,290.73 <small>(awarded)</small>
July 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021	\$815,801.16 <small>(pending award)</small>
January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022	\$1,002,500 <small>(projected)</small>

RECOMMENDATION

- Approval to apply and accept future reimbursement funds from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) for migrant services and amendment of the professional services contract with Catholic Charities of San Antonio





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