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DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Recommended ARPA funding awards for Mental Health Services, Non-Profit Social Services, Senior Services, and Youth Services competitive solicitation.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes award recommendations from a competitive solicitation process for Mental Health Services, Non-Profit Social Services, Senior Services, and Youth Services in the amount of \$36,400,259.00. Award recommendations are for a two-year term and funded from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLRF).

This ordinance also authorizes the City Manager or designee to execute any necessary agency contract and contract amendments, as necessary. Contracts are for a term of two years and funds must be committed by December 2024 and spent by December 2026.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On February 3, 2022, the City Council approved a spending framework for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds received by the City of San Antonio under ARPA. This framework included \$45 million allocated to the following spending categories:

- Mental Health: \$26 million

- Youth: \$10 million
- Seniors (Older Adults): \$5 million
- Non-Profit Social Services: \$4.0 million

Implementation plans for each of these categories were developed with policy direction from City Council Committees and input from the community and stakeholder groups. The City Council ultimately approved these implementation plans as reflected on the table below:

Spending Category	City Council Committee Approval	City Council Approval
Mental Health	Public Safety August 16, 2022	September 1, 2022
Youth	Economic and Workforce Development June 24, 2022	August 18, 2022
Seniors	Community Health, Environment and Culture August 9, 2022	August 18, 2022
Non-Profit Social Services	Community Health, Environment and Culture August 9, 2022	August 18, 2022

ISSUE:

On September 9, 2022, a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) was released to award \$40.15 million in funds from the Non-Profit Social Services, Seniors, Youth and Mental Health Implementation Plans. The solicitation process was led by the Department of Human Services and the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (Metro Health) and closed on October 28, 2022. Evaluation and scoring meetings were held in November 2022 and resulted in the Evaluations Committees proposing awards totaling \$36,400,259. The table below reflects the funds recommended for each of the categories:

Spending Category	Amount Allocated to Competitive Process	Amount of Requests received	Amount Recommended
Mental Health	\$22,750,000	\$65,272,829	\$19,313,756
Youth	\$9,900,000	\$42,683,219	\$9,659,164
Seniors	\$5,000,000	\$11,532,058	\$4,927,339
Non-Profit Social Services	\$2,500,000	\$26,114,749	\$2,500,000
Total	\$40,150,000	\$145,602,855	\$36,400,259

Based on the recommendations from the evaluation committees, there is \$3,749,741 in funds not recommended for award. City Staff recommends that a competitive process for these funds be conducted to award the funds.

Awards are proposed for 59 Agencies with 85 programs for total funding in the amount of \$36,400,259. The list of agency funding recommendations is attached to this agenda item. Contract executions are expected to begin March 2023 and will end March 2025.

Staff is also requesting City Council approval of to award the unallocated balance

of \$3,749,741.00 from this solicitation as shown in the table below:

Category	Amount	Recommendation
Youth Services	\$ 240,836	Reissue RFP through DHS Consolidated Funding Process as part of FY 2024 Budget Process
Older Adult Services	72,661	
Mental Health: Homeless – Foster Youth Outreach & Services	2,436,244	Reissue RFP Competitive Bid in February
Mental Health: Collaboration - Education Campaign/ 988 Line	1,000,000	Coordinate with stakeholders to seek feedback
Total	\$ 3,749,741	

Additionally, \$159,471 in declined funding from Nonprofit Social Services (Phase I) Immigration Awards also recommended to be issued through DHS Consolidated Funding Process.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should the above recommended awards not be approved, DHS and Metro Health will issue a new competitive RFP process for support services and programming for Mental Health Services, Non-Profit Social Services, Senior Services, and Youth Services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for the agency contracts recommended with this action in the amount of \$36,400,259 are available from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLRF).

These funds must be obligated by December 2024 and spent by December 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the approval of awards for Mental Health Services, Non-Profit Social Services, Senior Services, and Youth Services.