CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS JANUARY 27, 2022 NEW BUSINESS

SUBJECT: THE CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE ON

HOMELESSNESS TO PROVIDE INPUT ON SOCIAL SERVICES PRIORITIES AT A MEETING OF THE HUMAN

SERVICES COMMISSION.

INITIATED BY: **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND RENT** 

**STABILIZATION** 

(David Giugni, Social Services Manager) (Leslie Isenberg, Social Services Supervisor)

## **STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT:**

The City Council Subcommittee on Homelessness will receive a presentation and provide input on Social Services priorities for the 2022-25 funding cycle.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive presentation and provide input.

## **BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

The City of West Hollywood provides Social Services to the community by contracting with non-profit agencies to fulfill goals and initiatives identified through community studies and other forms of engagement. Every three years, the City issues a Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide Social Services. For reference, a list of the currently funded Social Services agencies and programs, including a description of services provided and the funding amount, is attached to this report.

The Social Services Division is developing the RFP for 2022-2025 Social Services funding cycle and is seeking input from a variety of sources, including Commissions, Advisory Boards, Task Forces and Subcommittees that represent a diversity of perspectives on the provision of Social Services.

The Human Services Commission is asking the City Council Subcommittee on Homelessness to review and discuss the questions listed below.

The questions are:

1. What are the significant social services needs of the constituency your Subcommittee represents?

- 2. Have there been changes to service needs or service delivery for the constituency your Subcommittee represents?
- 3. What barriers might there be to your constituency accessing available services?

The Human Services Commission also invites all members of the public to the hearing on Social Services Priorities that will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, virtually through Zoom.

# CONFORMANCE WITH VISION 2020 AND THE GOALS OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD GENERAL PLAN:

This item is consistent with the Primary Strategic Goal(s) (PSG) and/or Ongoing Strategic Program(s) (OSP) of:

- OSP-5: Support People through Social Services.
- OSP-11: Community Education

In addition, this item is compliant with the following goal(s) of the West Hollywood General Plan:

• HS-1: Maintain and pursue humane social policies and social services that address the needs of the community.

## **EVALUATION PROCESSES:**

Contract social services programs are evaluated quantitatively and qualitatively. Agencies are required to establish annual outcome objectives for their programs and design a system to measure their achievement. Agencies are required to provide an opportunity for clients to evaluate services and to incorporate the results of client feedback into program planning. All programs also complete quarterly program and fiscal reports.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND HEALTH:**

The goals of the City's Social Services contracts are to provide programming which sustains community health, provides health outreach and education, and improves the quality of life for community members.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

Input on Social Services Priorities---Boards, Commissions, Task Force and Subcommittee

## 2022-25 Funding Process

| Board, Commission, Task       | Date/Time of   | SS Staff                 | Staff Liaison     |         |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Force, Subcommittee           | Mtg.           |                          |                   |         |
| Russian Advisory Board        | 1/18 @ 7:00 PM | David                    | Tatyana 2         | X6826   |
| Social Justice Task Force     | 1/25 @ 6:00 PM | David                    | Jasmine           | X6559   |
| Senior Advisory Board         | 1/26 @ 2:00 PM | Leslie, Francisco, Katie | Leslie, Francisco | , Katie |
| Disabilities Advisory Board   | 1/26 @ 6:00 PM | Derek, Joan, Doug        | Derek, Joan, Dou  | Jg      |
| Homelessness Subcommittee     | 1/27 @ 8:30 AM | David, Leslie            | Alyssa Poblador   | X6409   |
| Women's Advisory Board        | 1/27 @ 7:00 PM | David, Joan              | Larissa           | X6413   |
| Transgender Advisory Board    | 2/2 @ 6:00 PM  | Derek, Dee               | Moya              | X6574   |
| Lesbian, Gay Advisory Board   | 2/10 @ 7:00 PM | David                    | Moya              | X6574   |
| Public Safety Commission      | 2/14 @ 6:00 PM | David                    | Kristin 2         | X6492   |
| Rent Stabilization Commission | 2/24 @ 6:00 PM | David                    | Jonathan          | X6301   |
| Human Services Commission     | 3/8 @ 6:00 PM  | Social Services Staff    | David 2           | X6410   |

## **OFFICE OF PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY:**

Department of Human Services & Rent Stabilization/Social Services Division

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None at this time.

## **ATTACHMENT A:**

City of West Hollywood Funded Social Services Agencies & Programs (2021-22)

## CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD FUNDED SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCIES & PROGRAMS (2021-22)

**ALLIANCE FOR HOUSING AND HEALING** provides financial support to persons living with HIV/AIDS to pay for rent, utilities and pharmaceuticals and housing case management for individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Aging in Place Program provides supplemental rental assistance to all seniors residing in the City of West Hollywood who are experiencing a rental burden. \$207,515

**APLA HEALTH & WELLNESS** provides case management, nutrition, dental care, and group support for people living with HIV/AIDS. APLA Health also provides therapy, group support, and benefits counseling to the entire community, regardless of HIV status. \$258,211.00

**ASCENCIA** provides comprehensive services for adults who are homeless including housing, shelter, case management, and street outreach. \$329,834.00

**AWAKENING RECOVERY, INC.** provides a residential long-term recovery solution for drug addictions and alcoholism, incorporating the 12-step philosophy and a structured peer mentoring recovery home process. \$25,000.00

**BEING ALIVE** provides educational peer support, peer counseling, mental health services, wellness center programming and social events for persons living with HIV/AIDS. \$122,979.00

**BET TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES** provides legal services for community members, with particular emphasis on housing and eviction defense, benefits advocacy, immigrant rights and Holocaust survivor services. \$147,898.00

**DISABILITY COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER** assists disabled adults to achieve and maintain independence in their homes and community-based housing. \$62,710.00

**FRIENDS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC.** provides HIV risk reduction educational outreach and case management services to gay, bisexual, and transgender persons and outpatient substance use treatment for gay and bisexual men who use methamphetamine. \$308,244.00

**HOUSING WORKS** provides case management services to former homeless community members living in permanent supportive housing and street-based community members experiencing homelessness who are working with West Hollywood outreach teams to become housed. \$133,814.00

## **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE (JFS)**

JFS Comprehensive Services Program includes social services and activity programming for older adults (55 and older) and people living with a disability. Disability Services include counseling and case management services for adults of any age living with a disability. Services for older adults include counseling, case management, homemaker services, telephone reassurance, recreation and educational classes, and excursions. \$1,034,628.00

**JFS Nutrition Program** provides home-delivered meals and congregate meals in West Hollywood for seniors and persons living with disabilities. \$432,044.00

JFS SOVA Community Food & Resource Program provides free groceries for community members. \$101,755.00

**JVS So-Cal** provides employment services for the West Hollywood community, including job development and job placement, referrals, job skills programs, and employment opportunities at West Hollywood businesses. \$155,580.00

#### LA LGBT CENTER

**Mental Health Services** provides therapy, group support, psychiatry, family violence intervention and addiction recovery services. \$162,021.00

**Senior Services** provides case management, employment assistance, housing resources, food and self-care resources, support groups, and social outings for adults 50+. \$70,924.00

**Sexual Health Program** provides HIV and STD testing and treatment services PrEP and PEP and HIV medical care. \$241,250.00

**Transgender Economic Empowerment Program** provides street outreach, legal services, case management and employment services for transgender and non-binary people. \$104,235.00

**WeHo Life** provides HIV prevention information and condom distribution to West Hollywood residents and businesses. \$49,595.00

**Youth Services** provides comprehensive services for LGBTQ youth, including shelter, case management, educational and vocational services, and outreach. \$142,370.00

**McINTYRE HOUSE** provides a residential substance abuse recovery program for men. \$80,232.00

**MEN'S HEALTH FOUNDATION** provides same day PrEP and PEP services, HIV and STD testing and treatment, and medical care. \$85,154.00

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN** provides rental assistance for community members at risk of losing their housing. \$96,011.00

**PATHWAYS** provides high-quality subsidized preschool services to qualifying West Hollywood community members. \$109,220.00

**PAWS/LA** assists low-income animal guardians who are living with HIV/AIDS or other life-threatening illness, and low-income seniors, to keep and care for their companion animals. \$45,000

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD** provides family planning and reproductive health care services, and HIV and STI testing and treatment, including PrEP and PEP. \$87,692.00

**PROJECT ANGEL FOOD** provides home delivered meals for people living with HIV/AIDS and/or life-threatening illness. \$90,729.00

**SABAN COMMUNITY CLINIC** provides general health and medical services, dental services, behavioral health services, and insurance enrollment services to uninsured and underinsured persons. \$203,629.00

**EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF LA** (Seeds of Hope) provides nutrition education, healthy cooking classes, therapeutic gardening, and free fresh produce to West Hollywood residents in eight West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation buildings. \$62,000

**STEP UP ON SECOND** provides outreach, case management, housing resources, and street-based behavioral health services to the homeless community members. \$376,834.00

**TARZANA TREATMENT CENTERS, INC.** provides substance use treatment services and West Hollywood based outreach. \$116,634.00

**TRANSCANWORK** provides employment navigation and career services for transgender, non-binary and gender diverse people; as well as gender diversity and inclusion training for West Hollywood employers. \$53,543.00

**TRANSLATIN** (a) **COALITION** provides outreach, peer management and support services for transgender, gender non-conforming and intersex individuals. \$77,696.00

G: human/socsvcs/agencies/lists/agency program descriptions