

Administrative Services Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 01/28/2025

HCD_ Lead Hazard Reduction Program Community Outreach Sub-Grantee Approval Request RFQ Item #23-229

Department:	HCD
Presenter:	Hawthorne Welcher, Jr. and/or HCD Staff
Caption:	Motion to approve HCD's request of recommendation of award for the RFQ Item #23-229 to Augusta Partnership for Children in compliance and direction of the Augusta Procurement Department as a sub-recipient to the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant.
Background:	On October 5, 2022, the U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) awarded \$3,960,000 (itemized breakdown subject to change while award amount remains the same) to Augusta, Georgia as part of the record investment of \$126 million nationwide to 26 state and local government agencies, that will help protect Augusta children and families from lead-based paint and home health hazards. The OLHCHH grant includes \$3,560,000.00 in Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Grant Program funding and \$400,000.00 in HUD's Healthy Homes Supplemental funding. A ten percent match commitment is required for this program by statue 42 U.S.C. 4852.
Analysis:	Augusta is required by HUD to engage with sub-recipients, sub-contractor organizations, partners and/or consultants to provide critical services and activities as part of program. As for meeting these goals and requirements set forth by HUD and the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, HCD requests to enter into partnership with Augusta Partnership for Children as its two Sub-Grantees.
	Through a fair solicitation process HCD seeks to partner with Augusta Partnership for Children as a sub-recipient of the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant. Augusta Partnership for Children will create solutions to local challenges experienced by children and families with lead using the expertise and knowledge of people living in Augusta Richmond County. Their services

will include training, home visiting, health education, group facilitation, resource sharing and monthly outreach events. HCD will offer technical and financial assistance while providing a safe and controlled means of lead hazard control & healthy homes remediation in residential dwelling units occupied by low-income households (annual household income cannot exceed 80% of the area median income (AMI) as determined by HUD).

I. <u>Scope of Services</u>:

a. Financial Agreement

Marketing and Outreach-Augusta Partnership for Children (40 units X\$1,000.00) = \$40,000.00 for 3 years.

b. Basic Requirements

- i. For the lifetime of the grant the agency must:
 - 1. Provide conduct targeted outreach, affirmative marketing, education, or outreach programs on lead hazard control and lead poisoning prevention designed to:
 - a. Increase Augusta, Georgia's ability to deliver the specified lead hazard control services through this program, including educating owners of eligible rental properties, tenants, and others on the benefits and expectations of participating in the program.
 - b. Educate owners of rental properties, tenants, and others on Lead safety and risk.
 - c. Partner with other local and/or statewide agencies such as WIC clinics, pediatric events, Medicaid events, physician referrals, community gatherings to further education and awareness of the program.
 - d. Collaborate with the program and other community agencies to organize and administer Community/Neighborhood Resource Fairs at least one (1) event in of the ten (10) Augusta, Georgia judications. To increase HCD's ability to deliver specified lead hazard control services to residents of the Augusta, Georgia-Richmond County area.
 - e. Report monthly reports information with support such as but not limited to:
 - i. Track and report event participation to HCD program staff through the required reporting system.
 - ii. Referral of services to Augusta, Georgia-Richmond County residents that potentially qualify for the program.

Financial Impact:

Allocation of \$3,960,000.00 from the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Recommendation:Motion to approve HCD's request of recommendation of award for the RFQ Item #23-229 to Augusta Partnership for Children in compliance and direction of the Augusta Procurement Department as a sub-recipient to the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant.Funds are available inOffice of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes U.S. Department of Use and Urber Development
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the following accounts: Housing and Urban Development.
Org Key: 221073232/5211120 Total Allocated Funding \$2.5M Augusta Partnership for Children: \$40,000.00
REVIEWED AND Procurement
APPROVED BY: Finance
Law

Administrator

Clerk of Commission