

INTERAGENCY COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT

BE IT KNOWN, that on the dates hereinafter mentioned, before the undersigned authorities, and in the presence of the undersigned legal and competent witnesses, personally came and appeared:

LINCOLN PARISH POLICE JURY, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized President, Richard I. Durrett (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "POLICE JURY");

LINCOLN PARISH DETENTION CENTER COMMISSION, a political subdivision of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized Chairman, Richard I. Durrett (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "DETENTION CENTER");

LINCOLN PARISH LIBRARY BOARD OF CONTROL, a political subdivision of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized Chair, Amy Miller (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "LIBRARY");

HUMANITARIAN ENTERPRISES OF LINCOLN PARISH, CAA, a duly recognized community action agency of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized Director, Ronnie Dowling (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "HELP");

LINCOLN PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT, a political subdivision of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized Chairman, Bill Sanderson (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT");

LINCOLN PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized Chairman, Richard Aillet (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "FIRE DISTRICT");

LINDA COOK, appearing herein in her capacity as the duly elected and currently serving Clerk of Court of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "CLERK OF COURT");

JOHN BELTON, appearing herein in his capacity as the duly elected and currently serving District Attorney of the Third Judicial District of Louisiana (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "DISTRICT ATTORNEY");

STEPHEN WILLIAMS, appearing herein in his capacity as the duly elected and currently serving Sheriff of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "SHERIFF");

BRUCE E. HAMPTON, appearing herein in his capacity as the duly elected and currently serving Chief Judge of the Third Judicial District of Louisiana (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "JUDGE"); and,

LINCOLN PARISH GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM DISTRICT, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, domiciled in Lincoln Parish, appearing herein by and through its duly authorized Chairman, Michael P. Rainwater (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "GIS");

(all of whom are hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as "APPEARERS");

who after being duly sworn, did depose and state that they do hereby enter in the following Interagency Cooperative Endeavor Agreement the terms and conditions of which are more fully set forth hereinafter.

AUTHORITY

This agreement is being entered into by and between APPEARERS pursuant to the authority granted to them in *Article VII, Section 14(c)* of the Louisiana Constitution and *LSA-R.S. 33-1321, et seq.* (The Local Services Law).

PURPOSE

APPEARERS each rely very heavily on computers and related software programs in the conduct of their day-to-day operations, which operations constitute a public purpose and benefit the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Lincoln Parish, Louisiana. Additionally, many of the APPEARERS presently share networking capabilities and others who do not presently share such capabilities could benefit therefrom. Each of the APPEARERS have in the past spent significant amounts of money with various information technology companies and consultants, and believe that they have obtained substantial savings, as well as reduced outside technology consultant response time, by sharing in the costs and expenses associated with the establishment and operation of an information technology department. Therefore, in order to effect economy of operation as authorized by *LSA-R.S. 33:1324.1*, APPEARERS have committed to and desire to continue sharing in the costs and expenses and the knowledge, skills, and abilities of an information technology manager and such other employees as said manager deems necessary, appropriate, and affordable within the budget approved for such endeavor by APPEARERS (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "IT DEPARTMENT").

LINCOLN PARISH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The IT DEPARTMENT shall assist in the technical aspects of and support for the various computer systems of each of the APPEARERS to this agreement; including, but not limited to, advice and support on any hardware, software, networking, and/or other such information technology issues. All such advice and support shall be coordinated with the appropriate representatives of each APPEARER, as well as their outside providers of computer hardware and software systems.

COST SHARING ARRANGEMENT

APPEARERS agree to share in and contribute toward the annual costs and expenses of operating the IT DEPARTMENT in the following amounts:

a) POLICE JURY	\$22,400.00
b) DETENTION CENTER	22,400.00
c) LIBRARY	40,000.00
d) HELP AGENCY	8,500.00
e) COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT	22,400.00
f) FIRE DISTRICT	12,900.00
g) CLERK OF COURT	23,267.26
h) DISTRICT ATTORNEY	27,634.05
i) SHERIFF	24,387.04
j) JUDGE'S OFFICE	<u>16,400.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$220,288.35</u>

Said payments shall be submitted to POLICE JURY as the fiscal agent for GIS in monthly increments by each of the parties on or before the 15th day of each month during which said IT DEPARTMENT is operational.

EMPLOYEE OF GIS DISTRICT

The IT Manager and any other employees of the IT DEPARTMENT shall be employees of GIS, be paid a salary or salaries agreed upon during the budgeting process by all of the APPEARERS, and shall also be entitled to the benefits and perquisites offered and available to employees of the POLICE JURY under the same terms and conditions applicable to said employees, except those relating to salary schedules and increases. The IT Manager and any other employees of the IT DEPARTMENT shall report to the Chairman of the GIS regarding salary, benefit, holiday, sick leave, and vacation issues, as well as for task assignment and supervision, which shall be administered in accordance with such plans, policies, and procedures as may be adopted from time to time by the GIS District.

IT DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Each APPEARER shall designate a representative to serve on the IT Department Advisory Committee, who shall elect one of their own members to serve as Chairman, who shall have the authority to call meetings and set agendas for each meeting, and meet as needed but at least quarterly to recommend the plans, policies, and procedures to the GIS Commission by and through which the IT DEPARTMENT shall provide the technical support for operating, upgrading, and networking the various computer systems presently in use, or which may be used in the future by them. A majority of the members of the IT Department Advisory Committee shall constitute a quorum of the committee and a majority vote of a quorum of the members of the IT Department Advisory Committee shall be necessary for approval of any action of the Committee. No voting by proxy shall be allowed.

Any issues related to IT Services provided to the APPEARS shall be brought to the Chairman of the IT Department Advisory Committee, who will determine if it needs to be brought to the Advisory Committee. In all instances, the IT Department Advisory Committee Chairman shall bring all such issues to the attention of the GIS Committee Chairman within 7 days.

COOPERATION OF PARTIES

This agreement shall be for a period of one year, commencing January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024. APPEARERS further agree to meet and decide prior to November 1, 2024 whether they wish to renew or extend this agreement beyond its original term and if they choose to do so, under what terms and conditions said agreement will be renewed or extended.

APPEARERS also agree to cooperate among themselves in an effort to maximize the benefits that may be derived by each of them by and through the technical advice and support of the IT DEPARTMENT.

MISCELLANEOUS

If any provision of this agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, to any extent, be determined to be invalid and unenforceable, the remainder of this agreement and the application of its provisions as to persons and circumstances other than those as to which it has been determined to be invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each provision of this agreement shall be valid and shall be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

The article and paragraph captions in this agreement are for convenience and reference only and in no way define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of this agreement or any part thereof, or in any way affect this agreement and shall not be considered in any construction thereof.