



December 11, 2013

Item No. 14

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT  
WITH THE CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

**To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services (“DFSS”) to provide support services for CHA families in an amount not to exceed \$1,758,240 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

The Executive Vice President (“EVP”) of Resident Services, the Office of the General Counsel and the Department of Procurement and Contracts have completed all necessary due diligence to support the submission of this initiative and recommend the approval of this item accordingly.

**CORPORATE GOAL**

The proposed program supports CHA’s corporate goal of expanding services to more residents, providing targeted services to residents at critical milestones in their lives.

**FUNDING:** CHA General Fund

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT SUMMARY**

Department of Family and Support Services  
1615 West Chicago Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60622

**Contract Type:** Professional Services

**Contract Amount:** \$1,758,240.00

**Contract Period:** January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

**COMPLIANCE INFORMATION**

Intergovernmental Agreement – Not Feasible

**GENERAL BACKGROUND**

CHA’s Resident Services Division is charged with supporting youth and adults on the path to self-sufficiency, which includes providing supportive services to families that assist them in meeting their goals. In order to accomplish this, CHA and DFSS collaborate each year to provide services in the areas of early childhood development, out-of-school time, senior and family programming.

In 2014, CHA and DFSS will provide the following initiatives:

***Out of School Time***

DFSS will continue to offer out-of-school time activities for CHA youth including after school, summer and school vacation time programming. These quality programs offer youth a structured environment to participate in academic enrichment, arts and culture, computer science technology, sports fitness and career exploration activities. Through out of school initiatives, DFSS will specifically target youth at Altgeld Gardens to support the Housing Opportunities Services Together (“HOST”) demonstration program.

***Golden Diner***

The Golden Diner Program provides meals that meet the recommended dietary allowances for older adults to help them stay healthy, and addresses isolation by providing the venue for socialization and physical activities for seniors to engage in before and after meals are served. DFSS covers the costs for meals provided through the Golden Diner, while CHA supports the costs of four (4) Assistant Specialists in Aging (ASIAs) who oversee the nutrition site operations.

***Homeless Prevention***

DFSS will provide homeless prevention services to CHA residents facing eviction from a CHA public housing unit. Services offered include, but are not limited to: crisis counseling, emergency shelter/interim housing placement; and relocation, transportation and storage.

***Early Childhood/Family Services***

The Early Childhood and Family Services initiative involves the provision of early childhood and family literacy services. In addition to the enhanced outreach and support programs, DFSS will continue to provide its parent engagement/education program. In 2014, DFSS will continue to partner with several additional organizations to provide three (3) targeted programs focusing on: 1) nutrition and family menu planning; 2) parent ambassadors to educate families on the importance of early childhood programs; and 3) summer youth programs with focus on peacemaking and personal growth.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with all applicable Chicago Housing Authority board policies and all applicable federal (HUD) procurement laws.

The EVP of Resident Services concurs with the recommendation to enter into an IGA with the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services.

The CEO/President recommends the approval to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services to provide support services for CHA families in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,758,240 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-CHA-126**

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Board Letter dated December 11, 2013 entitled "AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND SUPPORT SERVICES";

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**THAT** the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services to provide support services for CHA families in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,758,240 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

This award is subject to the Contractor's compliance with the CHA's MBE/WBE/DBE, Section 3 hiring, and insurance requirements.



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