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MEMORANDUM

September 1, 2011

TO: Board of Mayor and Alderman

FROM: Eric Stuckey, City Administrator *ES*
 Vernon Gerth, ACA-Community & Economic Development
 Kathleen L. Sauseda, Interim Housing Coordinator

SUBJECT: Emergency Shelter Grants – Sub-recipient Agreements for Program year 2011-12

- My Friend’s House #2011-0120
- BRIDGES #2011-0121

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) with information for the 2011-12 Emergency Shelter Grant Program and sub-recipient agreements for BRIDGES, a domestic violence shelter in Williamson County, and My Friend’s House of Williamson County for family counseling, alcohol and drug counseling, and drug assessment services.

Background

Since 2007, the City of Franklin has assisted the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA) in administering the federally funded Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program. The primary purpose of the ESG Program is to increase the number and quality of emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities for homeless individuals and families. Within the City of Franklin, only BRIDGES and My Friend’s House are qualified to receive ESG funds.

Financial Impact

In accordance with ESG program guidelines the City will receive \$1,632.00 for administration of the \$34,275 in program funds for this year. However, the specialty services not-for-profit entities such as BRIDGES and My Friend’s House offer at-risk individuals and families in our community are immeasurable.

Recommendation

Based on the funding requests submitted to the City and Allocation Committee that consists of Housing Commission Chairman Lisa McIntyre, Alderman Representative Pearl Bransford, Vernon Gerth, and Kathleen Sauseda, a recommendation to approve the two sub-recipient agreements and allocation with BRIDGES and My Friend’s House in the following amounts:

BRIDGES #2011-0121	\$27,643
My Friend’s House #2011-0120	\$ 5,000
COF Administration	<u>\$ 1,632</u>
2011-12 Total ESG Funding	\$34,275

**AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN
CITY OF FRANKLIN
AND
BRIDGES OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY
FOR DISPENSING OF EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT FUNDS FOR USE FOR HOMELESS SHELTERING
COF Contract #2011-0121**

This Agreement was made and entered into this ___ day of _____, 2011 by and between the City of Franklin, Tennessee (hereinafter called "The City"), and **BRIDGES OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY** (hereinafter called "Agency").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, THE CITY is the recipient of Emergency Shelter Grant Program (hereinafter called ESGP) funds from the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, The ESGP provides assistance on operational expenses, renovation, homeless prevention, and essential services to emergency shelter programs for the homeless; and

WHEREAS, **BRIDGES OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY** is an organization that administers a shelter program for homeless individuals;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises as contained herein, the parties hereto have agreed and hereby enter into this Agreement according to the provisions as set forth herein.

SECTION I – SCOPE OF SERVICES

Agency provides assistance to eligible Homeless individuals as defined in detail in the "Emergency Shelter Grant Manual", prepared by Tennessee Housing Development Agency, and which is attached as Exhibit A to this agreement and is incorporated as if set forth fully herein.

ESGP funds will be used by Agency for eligible activities within the major categories of Rehabilitation, Essential Services, Operations and Maintenance and homelessness Prevention as defined in the Emergency Shelter Grant Manual.

Funds will be used as set forth in Letter of Interest and Eligibility submitted by Agency which is attached as Exhibit B to this agreement and is incorporated as if set forth fully herein.

SECTION II – RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTIES

- A. Agency will use the current building as a shelter for the duration of the grant period.
- B. Agency will maintain the shelter and assure that the shelter will continue to meet the local government standards of being safe, sanitary, and fit for human occupancy.

- C. If an individual or family who receives assistance from the Agency violates its program requirements, Agency may terminate assistance; however, the termination must allow for the due process of the terminated participant's rights.
- D. Agency will involve, to the maximum extent practicable, homeless individuals and families in providing work or services for the facilities or activities assisted under the ESGP pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 11375(c)(7). The work or services may include, but are not limited to, the construction, renovation, maintenance and the operation of the facilities. Agency shall also provide for the participation of the homeless individuals on its policymaking entity in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 11375(d).
- E. Agency agrees to develop and implement procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESGP. The address or location of any family violence shelter project assisted under the ESGP will, except with the written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter, not be made public as required in 42 U.S.C. 11375(c)(5).
- F. Agency will submit to THE CITY periodic progress reports, including all data needed to meet all reporting requirements as detailed in the Emergency Shelter Grant Manual.
- G. Agency will participate in a Homeless Management Information System (NHMIS) if applicable. This requirement will be waived, however, for programs that exclusively serve victims of domestic violence.
- H. Agency will complete an eligibility form which documents homelessness for each client served and make this form a part of the client records on file.
- I. Agency is a corporation duly organized to promote and undertake the programs and activities as set forth in this Agreement on a not-for-profit basis and shall take all actions necessary to maintain said status during the period in which this Agreement is in effect.
- J. THE CITY will process reimbursements for ESGP activities in a timely fashion.

SECTION III – TIME OF PERFORMANCE

- A. Services shall start on the 1st day of July, 2011, and end on the 30th day of June, 2012 or at the expiration of grant funding.
- B. This Agreement may be terminated upon thirty (30) days' written notice by either party. If, through any cause, Agency shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or it Agency shall violate any of the covenants or stipulations under this Agreement, THE CITY shall thereupon have the right to immediately terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to Agency of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof. In accordance with 24 CFR 85.43, suspension or termination of this Agreement may occur if the Agency materially fails to comply with any term of the award. Furthermore, in accordance with 24 CFR 85.44, the award may be immediately terminated by THE CITY for convenience.

SECTION IV – PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. THE CITY shall reimburse Agency for reasonable and necessary eligible ESGP expenses, not to exceed the grant amount of Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Three and No/100 Dollars (\$27,643.00).
- B. Agency will submit requests according to the time line established by the 2008 Emergency Shelter Grant Manual for reimbursement with all supporting documents transmitted with a cover memo. This documentation will be submitted to THE CITY at least every other month during the grant period.
- C. Agency will also submit documentation of the required matching funds according to the time line established by THE CITY. Agency's commitment for these matching funds over the grant period is Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Three and No/100 Dollars (\$27,643.00).
- D. THE CITY will reimburse Agency upon receipt of the items described in Section IVB and upon careful review and audit of such items.

SECTION V – STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAWS/REGULATIONS

AGENCY shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations in the performance of this Agreement.

2. ANTIDISCRIMINATION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

No person on the grounds of handicap, age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or marital/familial status or any other classification protected by Federal and/or State of Tennessee constitutional and/or Statutory law shall be excluded from participation in, or be denied benefits or, be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Agreement.

3. AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

- A. This Agreement, as well as, any sub-agreement made with other participating agencies, is subject to all of the administrative requirements in OMB Circulars A-110 and A-122.
- B. THE CITY hereby notifies AGENCY that a single audit is required for non-profit agencies receiving \$500,000 or more in federal funds in any single fiscal year. This requirement is in accordance with OMB Circulars A-110 and A-133. A copy of the single audit report will be kept on file and made available to THE CITY staff during sub recipient monitoring visits and appropriate officials as requested.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In addition to the conflict of interest requirements in OMB Circulars A-102 and A-110, no person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected or appointed official of the AGENCY

and anyone who exercises or has exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to assisted activities or who is in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a personal or financial interest, direct or indirect, or benefit from the activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds thereunder, either for him or herself or for those with whom he or she has family or business ties, during his or her tenure, or for one year thereafter. HUD may grant an exception to this exclusion as provided in Sections 570.611(d) and (e) of the Emergency Shelter Grants Program.

5. PROCUREMENT STANDARDS AND METHODS

AGENCY shall comply with THE CITY's current policy concerning the purchase of equipment and shall maintain inventory records of all non-expendable personal property as defined by such policy as may be procured with funds herein.

AGENCY shall procure all materials, property, or services in accordance with the requirements of Attachment 0 of OMB Circular A-110, Procurement Standards.

6. VENUE

In the event of a dispute or litigation arising out of said Agreement, it is understood and agreed that this Agreement was executed and performed in Williamson County, Tennessee, and as such, it is agreed by both parties that venue of said litigation, including an action for Declaratory Judgment, will be in Williamson County, Tennessee.

7. ASSIGNMENT

Neither THE CITY nor AGENCY may assign its rights or delegate its responsibilities under this Agreement.

8. ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION

This instrument contains the entire Agreement between THE CITY and AGENCY. Oral changes of it will have no effect. It may be altered only by a later written agreement signed by both parties.

9. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected thereby and all other parts of this Agreement shall nevertheless be in full force and effect.

10. INDEMNIFICATION

AGENCY is responsible for any liability resulting from the delivery of these services and agrees to hold THE CITY harmless for any claims of liability resulting from its actions, which includes the delivery of these services, including the payment of THE CITY's attorney's fees.

11. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

AGENCY agrees to administer a policy designed to ensure that its operation is free from the illegal use, possession, or distribution of drugs or alcohol by its beneficiaries.

12. RELIGIOUS AND POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

AGENCY is prohibited from using funds provided herein or personnel employed in the administration of the program for political activities and sectarian or religious activities, as provided in the ESG Manual.

If AGENCY is, or may be deemed to be, a religious or denominational institution or organization, it agrees that:

- (1) It will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis of religion and will not limit employment or give preference in employment to persons on the basis of religion;
- (2) It will not discriminate against any person applying for shelter or any of the eligible activities under this part on the basis of religion and will not limit such housing or other eligible activities or give preference to persons on the basis of religion;
- (3) It will provide no religious instruction or counseling, conduct no religious worship or services, engage in no religious proselytizing, and exert no other religious influence in the provision of shelter and other eligible activities; and
- (4) It will not use any grant funds for the rehabilitation of structures to the extent that those structures are used for inherently religious activities. If any grant funds are used for rehabilitation, the funds must be used according to Section 576-23 of the regulations regarding the Emergency Shelter Grants Program.

13. LOSS OF NON-PROFIT STATUS

Loss of non-profit status by AGENCY shall mean loss of ESGP funding.

14. ATTORNEY FEES

If at any time it is necessary for THE CITY to undertake any action to enforce the terms of this Agreement or any documents attached hereto, AGENCY agrees to pay all costs of such enforcement by THE CITY including reasonable attorney's fees and court costs.

15. LEAD-BASED PAINT PROGRAM

AGENCY shall comply with the lead-based paint requirements contained in Section 567.57 (c) of the regulations regarding the Emergency Shelter Grants Program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE PARTIES HAVE EXECUTED THIS AGREEMENT.

CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE

Dr. Ken Moore, Mayor

Date: _____, 2011

Attest:

Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator

Approved as to form:



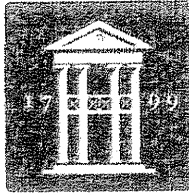
Kristen L. Corn, Staff Attorney

BRIDGES OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY

By:

Authorized Signature, Title

Date: _____, 2011



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Emergency Shelter Funding Grant for 2011/2012
Letter of Interest and Eligibility

Agency: Bridges of Williamson County dba Bridges Domestic Violence Center
Address: P.O. Box 1592 _____
City, State: Franklin, TN 37065 _____
Phone: 615-591-7752 _____

Non-Profit: yes no

Number of beds available as of July 1, 2011: _____ 15 _____

Number of persons assisted from
July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011: _____ 1553 _____

Type of Organization:

Emergency Shelter Facility

Homeless Prevention

A fifty percent (50%) match is required from

Grantor; where will matching funds come from: United Way of Williamson County

The City of Franklin is eligible to receive up to \$34,275 in Emergency Shelter Grant Funds. In the space below please state the total amount your agency is requesting and give a brief but specific description of how your agency plans to spend any awarded funds.

We are requesting \$34,275

The funds would be used for operations (Supplies, Utilities, Communications and Insurance), Essential Services (Client Medications and Transportation Expense, and Prevention (Outreach Salary for Homeless Prevention)