

San Francisco Department of Public Health Division of Behavioral Health Services

Community Forward SF Inc.

Contract Amendment – June 30, 2023 – June 30, 2025

Homelessness & Behavioral Health Select Committee
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Overview

- Resolution approving Amendment No. 3 to the agreement between Community Forward SF Inc. and DPH for Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Services
 - Increase the agreement by \$8,698,042
 - Extend the term by two years (total term of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2025)
- **Summary of Services:**
 - Community Forward SF (CFSF) provides behavioral health services focused on women experiencing homelessness, trauma or co-occurring disorders.
 - Drop-in services, supportive shelter, low-threshold early intervention services and outpatient mental health services.



Community Forward SF - Services

Provides behavioral health services to cis- and transgender women experiencing homelessness.

- **A Women's Place Drop-in Center (211 13th Street):** Drop-in behavioral health service program with harm reduction approach for women experiencing homelessness. Provides stabilization, support services, and linkages to mental health care, case management, primary care, residential services, residential substance use treatment, and HIV transitional housing and care. (230 clients/year)
- **A Women's Place Wellness & Recovery (1049 Howard Street):** Shelter and dorm-style transitional housing with on-site support services for women experiencing homelessness who may have co-occurring mental health/substance use disorder. (55 clients/year)
- **A Women's Place Behavioral Mental Health Outpatient Program (1049 Howard Street):** Outpatient mental health program targeted toward women experiencing homelessness, with linkages to primary care, case management, residential substance abuse, and HIV transitional housing and care. (157 clients/year)



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Community Forward - Funding Overview

- DPH received one-time funding in FY22-23 in the amount of \$1.5 million to support CFSF. The Department is committed to continue this funding level through the proposed term extension of two additional years.
- DPH has applied for State Behavioral Health Bridge (BHBH) Grant from CA Department of Health Care Services
 - Grant funding to address the immediate housing and treatment needs of people experiencing homelessness with behavioral health conditions
 - BHBH grant would support increased bed shelter capacity
 - If DPH receives grant, it will cover \$1.4m over the two year period
 - DPH will consider other funding sources to identify the balance required to maintain the current funding level



Proposed Contract Amendment

- DPH agrees with BLA recommendation.
- DPH requests approval of the proposed Amendment No. 3 to the agreement between Community Forward SF, Inc. and DPH



Thank You



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