



**City of Houston Council Committee on Quality of Life
Council Member Julian Ramirez, Chair
Vice Mayor Pro Tem Amy Peck, Vice Chair**

Council Member Carolyn Evans-Shabazz

Council Member Mary Nan Huffman

Council Member Willie Davis

**Notice of City Council Committee Meeting
Monday, March 2, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.**

**This meeting will be held in the Anna Russell City Hall Council Chamber,
901 Bagby St., 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77002**

This meeting will offer City of Houston Council Members and their staff the options to participate via videoconference or in-person. The Chair, as presiding officer of the Committee, will be physically present in Council Chamber.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code applicable to a governmental body that extends into three or more counties, all other committee members have the option to participate in-person or virtually via Microsoft Teams. This meeting will also be broadcast on HTC, the City of Houston's Municipal Channel.

To sign up for Public Comment, please fill out the form below by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 27, 2026:

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Presentation handouts will be available at:

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I. Welcoming remarks

- Chairman Julian Ramirez
- Vice Chair Amy Peck

II. Public Services

- a. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Second Amendment (Second Amendment) to the Subrecipient Agreement (Agreement) between the City of Houston (City) and **Catholic Charities** of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston (Catholic Charities), providing up to an additional **\$300,000.00** of Emergency Solutions Grants and Community Development Block Grant funds for the continuation of services. (District C)
- b. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Second Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston (City) and **Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council** (HCDVCC), providing up to an additional **\$1,106,417.20** in Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the continuation of services previously funded through the City's Homeless Services Program (HSP). (All Districts)

Action may be taken on any item listed above.

For more information on this committee, please contact: Leah.Wolfthal@houstontx.gov

- c. HCD recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Fifth Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston (City) and **The Salvation Army (TSA)**, extending the term of the Agreement and providing up to an additional **\$325,000.00** in Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to continue the provision of homeless program services to include homelessness prevention and emergency shelter to a minimum of 57 additional households who are experiencing homelessness or are at-risk for immediate homelessness. (All Districts)

Michael Nichols, Director

Melody Barr, Assistant Director

III. Director's Comments

Michael Nichols, Director

IV. Public Comments

Chairman Julian Ramirez



CITY OF HOUSTON – CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 03/18/2026

District: C

Item Creation Date: 02/04/2026

HCD26-13

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston
Rapid Rehousing and Homelessness Prevention Program
Agenda Item: II.a.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Second Amendment (Second Amendment) to the Subrecipient Agreement (Agreement) between the City of Houston (City) and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston (Catholic Charities), providing up to an additional \$300,000.00 of Emergency Solutions Grants and Community Development Block Grant funds for the continuation of services.

Catholic Charities will provide rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention services to 75 households at risk of or currently experiencing homelessness. Services will include tenant-based rental assistance and utility payments to prevent eviction or termination of services; assistance obtaining permanent housing; and case management to assist in obtaining services and benefits.

CATEGORY	CDBG	ESG	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Program	\$0.00	\$259,400.00	\$259,400.00	86.47%
Administration	\$40,600.00	\$0.00	\$40,600.00	13.53%
TOTAL	\$40,600.00	\$259,400.00	\$300,000.00	100.00%

Catholic Charities was initially selected by Child Care Council, Inc. (CCC), HCD's administrator of the City's Homeless Services Program (HSP), as a service provider. CCC's Agreement to operate as the HSP administrator was renewed and expired as of March 31, 2024. To avoid a gap in homeless response system services, HCD selected Catholic Charities from the existing HSP providers to continue operations.

The initial Agreement was from April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025, and the First Amendment extended the program and funding through March 31, 2026. This Second Amendment will extend the program through March 31, 2027.

As of November 2025, this program has expended approximately 84% of their allocated funding and has served 93% of their client goal. Catholic Charities has received funding through various agreements with the City since 2003 and had no findings on their last compliance monitoring.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item will be presented to the Quality of Life Committee on March 2, 2026.

Michael Nichols, Director

Amount of Funding:

\$300,000.00 Federal Government - Grant Funded (5000)

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CITY OF HOUSTON – CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 03/25/2026

District: ALL

Item Creation Date: 02/06/2026

HCD26-16

Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council

Agenda Item: II.b.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Second Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Houston (City) and Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council (HCDVCC), providing up to an additional \$1,106,417.20 in Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the continuation of services previously funded through the City’s Homeless Services Program (HSP).

HCDVCC’s activities include emergency shelter for individuals, and families fleeing domestic violence; rapid rehousing for families experiencing homelessness; assistance with short-term rent and utility payments to prevent eviction or termination of services; comparable data reporting system management and maintenance; and assistance in obtaining services and benefits.

HCDVCC will provide administrative services to nonprofit domestic violence providers, that will serve a minimum of 200 additional households who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness and may be survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and/or human trafficking. Administrative services include processing reimbursement requests, monitoring providers for performance and compliance with City, State, and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations, as well as providing technical assistance and training.

HCD conducted a Notice of Funding Availability for Homeless Services Program administrative services in August 2020. Child Care Council (CCC) was selected as the Administrative Services Agency. CCC’s Agreement to operate as the HSP administrator was not renewed and expired on March 31, 2024. To avoid a gap in homeless response system services, the City selected HCDVCC to operate as an administrator for existing domestic violence agencies that are providing homeless and homelessness prevention services to continue operations.

CATEGORY	CDBG	ESG	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Program	\$0.00	\$956,417.20	\$956,417.20	86.44%
Administration	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	13.56%
Total	\$150,000.00	\$956,417.20	\$1,106,417.20	100.00%

The initial Agreement was from April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025 and amended through March 31, 2026. The Second Amendment will provide funding through March 31, 2027. HCDVCC was selected due to its history of working with Houston’s Homeless system, the City of Houston, and providers that serve survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and/or human trafficking.

As of November 2025, HCDVCC has served 131.17% of its goal and expended 87.10% of funding. The agency has received funding from the City of Houston since 2022 and there were no findings on the annual compliance monitoring review.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item will be presented to the Quality of Life Committee on March 2, 2026.

Michael Nichols, Director

Prior Council Action:

03/27/2024 (O) 2024-184; 02/26/2025 (O) 2025-120

Amount of Funding:

\$1,106,417.20 Federal Government - Grant Funded (5000)

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CITY OF HOUSTON – CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 4/6/2026

District: All

Item Creation Date: 02/06/2026

HCD26-17

The Salvation Army of Greater Houston

Agenda Item: II.c.

Background:

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) recommends Council approval of an Ordinance authorizing a Fifth Amendment (Fifth Amendment) to the Subrecipient Agreement (Agreement) between the City of Houston (City) and The Salvation Army (TSA), extending the term of the Agreement and providing up to an additional \$325,000.00 in Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funds and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to continue the provision of homeless program services to include homelessness prevention and emergency shelter to a minimum of 57 additional households who are experiencing homelessness or are at-risk for immediate homelessness.

CATEGORY	CDBG	ESG	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Program Costs	\$0.00	\$280,000.00	\$280,000.00	86.15%
Administration	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	13.85%
Total	\$45,000.00	\$280,000.00	\$325,000.00	100.00%

The Way Home, a collaborative partnership between the City of Houston, Harris County, and the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston and Harris County (Coalition), developed the Community COVID Housing Program (CCHP) to specifically respond to COVID-19's impact on the homeless. For CCHP Phase 2, a joint Request for Expression of Interest from qualified agencies was released in March, 2022 by the Coalition. TSA was one of the qualified agencies selected to provide services.

The initial Agreement term was from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023, and was administratively extended through September 30, 2024, then subsequently amended through January 31, 2025, January 31, 2026, and April 30, 2026. This Fifth Amendment will provide funding through April 30, 2027.

As of August 2025, TSA achieved 80.74% of its goal and expended approximately 70.40% of funding. TSA began receiving funding through the City of Houston in 2012, and there were no findings on the annual compliance monitoring review.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

This item will be presented to the Quality of Life Committee on March 2, 2026.

Michael Nichols, Director

Prior Council Action:

9/28/2022 (O) 2022-0717; 11/08/2023 (O) 2023-954;
09/11/2024 (O) 2024-657; 02/26/2025 (O) 2025-119; 10/29/2025 (O) 2025-888

Amount of Funding:

\$325,000.00 Federal Government - Grant Funded (5000)

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