

Public Notice

The City of Houston (City) through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is proposing an Ordinance authorizing a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City and 419 Hope Partners LLC for the purchase of the property located at 419 Emancipation Avenue Houston, TX 77003 (Property). The City will utilize \$16,000,000.00 of Reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund (Fund 1850) to finance the purchase. The Property will be used as a Super Hub for individuals experiencing homelessness in Houston. It will serve as a housing-focused triage site and provide temporary and transitional shelter, offering individuals living on the street a safe place of refuge while they are connected to services such as healthcare, psychiatric support, substance abuse programs, and pathways to housing stability.

The Property consists of two buildings. The first building has a full-service commercial kitchen, laundry facility, medical office spaces, gathering areas, and individual rooms with built-in bathrooms that can house up to four individuals. The second building is configured as a school, with multiple classrooms, a bathroom area, administrative offices, and a library area. The remaining land is utilized for parking, paved common areas and walkways, and landscaping.

Since 2003, the Property has been used as a shelter as described below:

- 2003 – 2016: The Star of Hope owned and operated the facility as a homeless shelter.
- 2017 - 2018: The City of Houston leased the facility and retained a provider to operate it to house Hurricane Harvey survivors.
- 2018 - August 2025: The facility was subleased to a non-profit, Southwest Key Programs, Inc., to shelter unhoused immigrant youths.

The public has seven (7) days to comment on this proposed item. The 7-day period extends from Tuesday, October 7, 2025, through Tuesday, October 14, 2025. Following the 7-day public comment period, HCDD will take this item to City Council. For additional information on this item, contact Kenneth Brown at (832) 469-5834. Written comments can be submitted by email to Kenneth.Brown3@houston.tx.gov.

For any information about our Complaints and Appeals Process, please call (832) 394-6000 or email HCDDComplaintsAppeal@houston.tx.gov. For more information about HCDD and its programs, please access HCDD's website at www.houston.tx.gov/housing.