



Legislation Text

File #: 2023-1277, Version: 2

Public Hearing: YES NO

Department: Chief Executive Office

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All

Centralized Warming Center for the Unhoused

To consider authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to accept and negotiate a proposal by Frontline Response to assist DeKalb County in serving those experiencing homelessness and/or in need of warming center services Fall/Winter 2023-24. **Initial Cost to the County-\$135,000.**

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PURPOSE:

To consider authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to accept and negotiate a proposal by Frontline Response to assist DeKalb County in serving those experiencing homelessness and/or in need of warming center services Fall/Winter 2023-24. Included services: Warming Center operations, food, transportation, case management, and administration for up to 100 unhoused persons in DeKalb County.

NEED/IMPACT:

A void exists for a DeKalb County licensed homeless shelter or primary designated space for the unhoused in need of services during cycles of inclement weather.

The proposal by Frontline Response offers direct service and facility space to those experiencing homelessness and/or in need of warming center services for the Fall/Winter 2023-24. It covers warming center operations, food, transportation, case management, and administration for up to 100 unhoused persons in DeKalb County for a period of fifty (50) days of cold weather when temperatures reach thirty-eight (38) degrees or below. The anticipated date ranges of the DeKalb/Frontline warming center operations will be November 1, 2023 to April 1, 2024.

With these accommodations and the partnership, DeKalb County will be able to provide a full-service warming Center in a 30,000 sq. ft facility. The partnership also provides for further discussions for use during inclement weather and cooling stations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Initial Fiscal Impact and cost to the County is \$135,000.00

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the Chief Operating Officer to accept and negotiate a proposal by Frontline Response to assist DeKalb County in serving those experiencing homelessness and/or in need of warming center services Fall/Winter 2023-24. Approve the initial cost of \$135,000 and the ability to add services and adjust costs to meet the needs of the unhoused in DeKalb County under the proposal. Authorize disbursements and Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute all necessary documents...Recommended action to approve the resolution and authorize the chief executive officer to execute all necessary documents.....