



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
September 10, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: LaTanya Bellow, Interim City Manager
Submitted by: Scott Gilman, Director, Health, Housing, and Community Services
Subject: Contract No. 32200135 Second Amendment: Multicultural Institute for COVID-19 Outreach and Education

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution amending Contract No. 32200135 with Multicultural Institute, to extend the contract end date through June 30, 2025, and increase the not-to-exceed amount (NTE) by \$45,136 utilizing one-time grant funds. The amendment will increase the NTE amount from \$186,000 to \$231,136.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The amendment will add \$45,136 with a total not-to-exceed amount of \$231,136. The funding for this amendment is available in the Fiscal Year 2025 Adopted Budget in One-Time Fund (Fund 336).

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Amending Contract No. 32200135 with Multicultural Institute will allow Multicultural Institute to continue providing culturally responsive COVID-19 education and outreach services to the Berkeley community, specifically to residents who are day laborers, domestic workers, monolingual Spanish speakers, and recent immigrants, through the end of the Enhancing Laboratories Capacity (ELC) grant period. These services will aid in slowing the spread of COVID-19 and ensure all Berkeley residents have equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines, testing, treatment, and other infection control and healthcare measures. This contract with the Multicultural Institute is a Strategic Plan Priority Project, advancing our goal to champion and demonstrate social and racial equity.

BACKGROUND

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Berkeley partnered with Multicultural Institute to ensure all Berkeley residents have equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines, testing, treatment, and other infection control and healthcare measures. These efforts have included organizing and facilitating COVID-19 education and outreach events, hosting vaccine and testing clinics, engaging in door-knocking campaigns and community canvassing events, hosting Health Justice

Interns, and distributing COVID-19 test kits prioritizing Berkeley residents who are uninsured, underinsured, undocumented, or face other barriers to accessing test kits.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

There are no identifiable environmental effects, climate impacts, or sustainability opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The additional funding identified will aid in slowing the spread of COVID-19 throughout the Berkeley community and will ensure all Berkeley residents have equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines, testing, treatment, and other infection control and healthcare measures.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Staff did not identify other alternatives that are consistent with both the grant purpose, City priorities, and CDC's COVID-19 guidance.

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO. 32200135 SECOND AMENDMENT: MULTICULTURAL INSTITUTE,
FOR COVID-19 OUTREACH & EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley issued Request for Proposal #21-11450-C on May 12, 2021 to engage with Community Partners to engage Berkeley residents and workers by providing education and outreach on COVID-19, targeting vaccination efforts to reach those most vulnerable to and at risk of COVID-19, and supporting infected individuals required to isolate; and

WHEREAS, a panel of experts reviewed applications and recommended agencies to provide services to reach Berkeley residents and workers who are vulnerable to and at risk of COVID-19 infection, and these services are a critical part of the City's efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2022, under the State of Emergency Order, the City Manager authorized Health, Housing, and Community Services' Public Health Officer Unit to enter into a contract with Multicultural Institute (Contract No. 32200135) to provide culturally responsive COVID-19 education and outreach services to the Berkeley community; and

WHEREAS, an additional \$45,136 in grant funding is available to increase the contract amount which will allow Multicultural Institute to continue providing culturally responsive COVID-19 education and outreach services to the Berkeley community through the end of the Enhancing Laboratories Capacity (ELC) grant period.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to amend Contract No. 32200135 with Multicultural Institute, to extend the contract end date through June 30, 2025, and increase the not to exceed amount (NTE) by \$45,136 utilizing one-time grant funds. The amendment will increase the NTE amount from \$186,000 to \$231,136.

