

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**APPROVAL OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE LOUISVILLE METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY AND
THE OFFICE OF SAFE AND HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS FOR THE PROVISION
CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

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WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro office of Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods (OSHN) currently manages a Trauma Resilient Communities Initiative funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); and

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Housing Authority (LMHA) houses 607 residents at Dosker Manor and 216 residents at Avenue Plaza; and

WHEREAS, many of these residents face challenges in maintaining and fully enjoying their housing due to advanced age, disability or other barriers; and

WHEREAS, the lack of services has hindered some residents from being successful tenants and affected the quality of their tenancy; and

WHEREAS, LMHA determined the most efficient method to provide additional services would be through a partnership with OSHN's Trauma Resilient Communities Initiative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISVILLE METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS that the Executive Director and Contracting Officer, Elizabeth Strojan, is hereby authorized to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Louisville Metro Office of Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods to provide case management services for an amount not to exceed \$188,992. The initial agreement will be for one year.

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I. STATEMENT OF FACTS:

Dosker Manor and Avenue Plaza are the home to a total of 823 residents. Due to advancing age, disabilities and other barriers, many of these residents face challenges to live independently.

Specifically, Dosker Manor and Avenue Plaza have both an aging population and a younger disabled population who can struggle to live independently.

- Dosker: 104 residents 70 years of age or above, 128 residents 55 years or younger and disabled
- Avenue: 29 residents 70 years of age or above, 63 residents 55 years or younger and disabled

Both local and national HUD officials, as well as many Louisville government officials have voiced their opinion that Dosker Manor and LMHA's other developments need increased resident services.

LMHA's Special Programs Department has worked closely with OSHN to develop a pilot program providing three levels of case management services that will begin at Dosker Manor and then expand to Avenue Plaza. This pilot (concept paper attached) is designed to address the issues of the populations described above.

II. ALTERNATIVES:

- A. Approve an intergovernmental agreement with the Office of Self and Healthy Neighborhoods for case management services.
- B. Do not approve the intergovernmental agreement at this time.

III. RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Alternative "A."

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IV. JUSTIFICATION:

The pilot program, outlined in the attached concept paper, in its first year will serve 140 Dosker and 40 Avenue Plaza residents engaging the root causes of the challenges that prevent them from living independently and more fully enjoying their tenancy. The pilot will begin at Dosker Manor and then expand to Avenue Plaza.

LMHA will dedicate one Senior Social Worker from its THRIVE program to provide Brokerage case management services at the two sites, while OSHN will provide strength-based and clinical case management partially funded with \$40,000 from their SAMHSA grant. OSHN will also provide supervision for the pilot, and training to LMHA team members so they can better serve residents as an in-kind contribution.

The compensation for the intergovernmental agreement is reasonable when compared to similar positions and expenses with the housing authority.

V. BUDGET APPROVAL:

Funding for this project is provided by MTW-Section 8 Reserves.

Jeffrey Ralph, Director of Finance

Date

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