

# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

January 27, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH GOD'S PANTRY FOR SERVICES

RELATING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CALIFORNIA

PROPOSITION 47 (PROP 47) GRANT

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- Approve a forty-four-month agreement with God's Pantry in the amount not to exceed \$5,872,199 for their role in supporting the Office of Violence Prevention (OVP) as it carries out the City of Pomona's California Proposition 47 Grant implementation and,
- 2) Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the agreement and any extensions, subsequent changes or amendments thereto, on behalf of the City, subject to review and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

God's Pantry seeks to partner with the City of Pomona through a 44-month agreement, spanning October 14, 2024, to June 30, 2028, to deliver vital services that support recidivism reduction, assist justice-involved individuals, and enhance community well-being. These efforts align with the comprehensive wraparound strategies detailed in the Proposition 47 grant proposal. As outlined in the scope of work, the total agreement amount is not to exceed \$5,872,199.

#### SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:

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related business entity, or 3) by any person who has a financial interest in the agenda item requires a councilmember to comply with SB1439.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

FY 2024-25 funding for the agreement in the amount not to exceed \$1,174,440 is available in the Prop 47 Fund (187-0900-52190-00000). Funding for subsequent fiscal years will be included in the adopted budget.

#### PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:

On June 10, 2024, The City of Pomona Office of Violence Prevention & Neighborhood Wellbeing submitted an application for the Proposition 47 (Prop 47) Grant, administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC).

On October 3, 2024, The City of Pomona was notified of its successful application and awarded \$8,000,000 in funding through the Prop 47 Grant.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

On October 3, 2024, the City of Pomona was awarded \$8,000,000 by the Board of State and Community Corrections through the Proposition 47 Grant Program. Proposition 47 seeks to reduce incarceration for nonviolent offenses and reinvest the savings into community-based programs that focus on mental health services, substance use treatment, victim support, housing assistance, and recidivism reduction. The Pomona Office of Violence Prevention, in collaboration with community agencies such as God's Pantry, will implement a comprehensive work plan to achieve the program's goals through measurable objectives and impactful outcomes. (Attachment No. 1)

The initiative's overarching goals are to prevent further involvement in the justice system, support reintegration, and expand access to diversion services. Efforts will focus on reducing recidivism and promoting stability by providing social services such as mental health and substance use treatment, housing assistance, and job readiness training. Programs aimed at skill development, employment opportunities, and record expungement are central to successful reintegration, with progress measured by workforce participation and program completion rates. For high-schoolaged youth, the expansion of diversion programs will emphasize academic success and recovery support. Tailored services, including tutoring, academic guidance, and educational referrals, will ensure youth access the resources needed to succeed academically and avoid justice system involvement.

The grant's budget outlines specific roles for community-based organizations (CBOs) to ensure the successful delivery of services. God's Pantry will employ dedicated staff to carry out the Proposition 47 goals by overseeing program enrollment, delivering evidence-based interventions, and providing critical services such as mental health and substance use treatment, housing assistance, and job readiness training. These staff members will track participant progress through data collection and coordinate with partners to ensure the comprehensive implementation of services. Through these strategic efforts, the City of Pomona and its partners aim to create meaningful, measurable impacts that enhance public safety and improve community well-being.

### **COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:**

This item supports the 2021 City Council Priority No. 4 – Safe and Clean Community; Goal N – Take actions to eliminate prostitution, human trafficking, and gang-related violence.

ALTERNATIVE(S): None
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## **ATTACHMENT(S):**

Attachment No. 1 – God's Pantry Scope of Work