

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: * Amend a grant agreement with the YWCA of Greater Portland, a non-profit corporation, to provide eviction prevention services at the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services. (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 32000375)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

\$60,000 in one- time funding was reprogrammed specifically to provide eviction prevention services at the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services. The funding will be administered by an existing on site program that has expertise and staff that provides housing interventions. This funding will prevent domestic violence survivors from entering homelessness.

The agency that provides housing interventions at the Gateway Center, the YWCA, is already a grantee of the City of Portland to provide direct services to survivors at the Gateway Center. This legislation amends the existing grant with the YWCA for the express purpose of providing eviction prevention services. Three previous grant amendments extended the term of the original grant.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

- There are no long-term budgetary impacts of this legislation. There is a one-time \$60,000 cost to the City of Portland.

Community impacts and community involvement:

- The Gateway Center serves all domestic violence survivors who come in the door. Approximately 50% of all participants are from communities of color. The housing services are provided after careful and thorough assessment of all possible resources and options for a particular survivor. If the assessment determines that the survivor will likely enter homelessness without a monetary intervention the housing specialist will use the funding to intervene. With the housing crisis impacting so many, and the housing shortage so severe, the community at large benefits from any prevention of homelessness.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet**Does this action change appropriations?**

- ☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.
☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount