

**IMPACT STATEMENT**

**Legislation title:** \* Amend ordinance to increase compensation for subrecipient contracts with Legal Aid Services of Oregon and Community Alliance of Tenants in the amount of \$100,000; add a Subrecipient contract with JOIN in the amount of \$110,000 for the provision of services in support of coordinated eviction prevention (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No.188490; amend Contract Nos. 32001718 and 32001635)

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**Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

The Portland Housing Bureau (PHB) requests City Council's approval to authorize amending two contracts to increase compensation to the Community Alliance of Tenants (CAT) and Legal Aid Services of Oregon (LASO) for participating in an Eviction Prevention Pilot. PHB also requests the addition of a contract with Join to facilitate rent assistance and other housing assistance related to the Eviction Prevention Pilot. PHB is making this request because contract increases over 25%, or new contracts over \$100,000 must return to City Council for approval.

Community Alliance of Tenants contract has been increased by \$25,000 in General Funds and the Legal Aid Services of Oregon Contract will be increased by \$65,000 in General Funds and \$10,000 in CDBG. The Join contract will be \$110,000 in CDBG.

The total amount of all subrecipient contract over \$100,000 are listed below. All contracts, including the added \$210,000, total \$3,596,865. Portland Housing Bureau request's City Council's approval to authorize \$3,596,865 in city general fund, tax increment from urban renewal areas, and federal dollars to provide services in the community to further the goals of the Bureau's strategic plan. Through various competitive processes, PHB has identified organizations for funding that provide a broad continuum of assistance and services for low-income homeowners and renters. Services they provide include emergency home repair, Fair Housing, and renter relocation services. This amendment directs Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and General Fund (GF) already in the Housing Bureau budget to subrecipients implementing the Eviction Pilot Program. The subrecipients include the Community Alliance of Tenants, Legal Aid Services of Oregon and JOIN.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

The contracts in this ordinance are comprised of multiple funding sources. The amended contract amounts and the new contract are added to the previous contract chart. The sources and the respective amounts are summarized in the table below:

<b>PHB Master Ordinance FY 2017-18</b>			
<b>Organization</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding type</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>NAYA (MHAC)</b>	\$380,000	CDBG	Homebuyer education, counseling, and foreclosure prevention counseling.
<b>NAYA-Cully</b>	\$342,338	CDBG \$132,000 General Fund \$210,338	Home repair and healthy home classes to stabilize neighborhood.
<b>Portland Community Reinvestment Initiative (PCRI)</b>	\$277,100	CDBG \$243,500 Interstate TIF \$33,600	Homebuyer education & counseling, home retention, and home repair.
<b>Community Energy Project</b>	\$401,000	CDBG \$146,000 Interstate TIF \$145,000 Lents TIF \$110,000	Weatherization and energy efficiency improvements to offset energy costs for low-income households
<b>Unlimited Choices, Inc.</b>	\$544,000	CDBG \$246,500 Interstate TIF \$50,000 Lents TIF \$137,500 GF \$110,000	Wheelchair ramps, grab bars and other accessibility improvements
<b>REACH CDC</b>	\$467,500	CDBG \$140,000 Interstate TIF \$75,000 Lents TIF \$252,500	Home repairs for low-income elderly and disabled homeowners
<b>Latino Network</b>	\$106,927	GF	Home Retention and small home repairs in East Portland
<b>Impact NW</b>	\$180,000	CDBG \$160,000 General Fund \$20,000	Relocation services for renters with environmental habitability issues
<b>Community Alliance of Tenants (CAT)</b>	\$513,000	CDBG \$238,000 General Fund \$250,000 \$25,000 NEW General Fund	Renter advocacy, education, organizing, and referral to legal and assistance services, Eviction Pilot

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Legal Aid Services of Oregon (LASO)	\$275,000	CDBG \$60,000 General Fund \$140,000 \$65,000 NEW General Fund \$10,000 CDBG	Fair Housing and renter legal services, Eviction Pilot
JOIN	\$110,000	CDBG \$110,000	Eviction Pilot, Housing Rent Assistance, and other supportive housing assistance or services
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,596,865</b>		

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

As required by federal regulations, a Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) describing the overall framework for public involvement was developed and adopted with the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan. A series of hearing and public meetings were held regarding the development of the Plan, in all areas of the city to ensure access to a broad range of community members. Translation services were provided when requested. All hearings locations were accessible to persons with disabilities. All documents were posted on the Portland Housing Bureau website.

In addition to the CPP process, the Portland Housing Advisory Commission, the bureau’s advisory body, and the Federal Funding Oversight Committee, a representative body of the three jurisdictions (Portland, Gresham, and Multnomah County), reviewed the Plan and its recommendations. These recommendations inform the projects and subrecipients that are chosen for identified actions.

**Budgetary Impact Worksheet**

**Does this action change appropriations?**

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