



# County of Albany

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## Legislation Text

File #: TMP-5822, Version: 1

### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

#### Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH HOMELESS AND TRAVELERS AID SOCIETY FOR HOMELESS/HOUSING EMERGENCY SERVICES PROGRAM

Date: 8/26/2024  
Department: Social Services  
Attending Meeting: Erin Stachewicz, Acting Commissioner  
Submitted By: Maggie Watson Skarlis  
Title: Contract Administrator  
Phone: 518-447-7583

Purpose of Request: Contract Authorization Enter text.

### CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:

Party Names and Addresses:

Homeless and Travelers Aid Society - 138 Central Avenue - Albany, NY 12206

Term: (Start/end date or duration) 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025  
Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$200,000

### BUDGET INFORMATION:

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐  
Anticipated in Budget: Yes ☒ No ☐  
Spreadsheet attached: Yes ☐ No ☒

### Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: 40% County: 60%  
State: 0% Local: 0%

### County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: AA6010 04615  
Revenue Amount: \$80,000  
Appropriation Account and Line: AA6010 44046  
Appropriation Amount: \$200,000

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Mandated Program/Service: Yes ☒ No ☐  
If Mandated, Cite Authority: 18 NYCRR 352.8

**Request for Bids / Proposals:**

Competitive Bidding Exempt: Yes ☒ No ☐

# of Response(s): Enter text.

# of MWBE: Enter text.

# of Veteran Business: Enter text.

Bond Resolution No.: Enter text.

Apprenticeship Program Yes ☐ No ☒

**Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:**

Resolution/Law Number and Date: 163 / 05/08/2023

**DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:** (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

Authorization is requested to renew an agreement with the Homeless and Travelers Aid Society (HATAS) for the provision of after-hours Homeless/Housing Emergency Services. HATAS provides non-business hour coverage (i.e., evenings, nights, weekends and holidays) to serve individuals and families who present as homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness by assisting them to access needed emergency shelter. As a local social services district, the Albany County Department of Social Services (DSS) is responsible for securing temporary/emergency shelter placement for homeless persons who are eligible or potentially eligible for Temporary Assistance. DSS is also required to shelter all persons who present as homeless during Code Blue (weather under 32 degrees Fahrenheit). HATAS also places residents during this season. HATAS operates and advertises an on-call hotline number and responds to shelter inquiries from homeless persons, hospitals, law enforcement, contracted shelters and others who may identify someone in need of shelter. HATAS coordinates on-call services with DSS to place persons who have had contact with DSS during business hours, but may need assistance on nights and weekends. HATAS also responds to calls after-hours for persons facing heat shut off during inclement weather.

HATAS was selected via RFP #2021-055 (sole bidder) and is the previous provider of these services. This is year four (4) of a five (5) year contract.