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 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESILIENCE



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Director

December 5, 2023

Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
 President, Board of Alders
 City of New Haven
 165 Church Street
 New Haven, CT 06510

Dear Honorable Walker-Myers,

The Department of Community Resilience requests approval to enter into a sole source, 3-year agreement with the National Institute for Criminal Justice Reform (NICJR) under a \$2 million federal award from the Office of Justice Programs. These funds will allow us to expand and enhance the City's Program for Reintegration, Engagement, Safety, and Support (PRESS) which seeks to reduce gun violence by targeting and serving those at highest risk for being involved. NICJR is a nationally recognized advisor on violence reduction and works to reduce incarceration and violence, improve outcomes of system-involved youth and adults, and increase the capacity and expertise of organizations that serve these individuals. This organization is uniquely positioned to advise on the development and implementation of violence prevention strategies for the City of New Haven as a part of this award as well as a part of our broader efforts to address gun violence holistically in our community.

The contract will begin on approximately February 1, 2024 and extend through September 30th, 2026, as per the funding source. The total contract amount is \$85,000 across the contract period including \$45,000 for the first year and \$20,000 for each of the following two years.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact me at 203-946-7846 if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Carlos Sosa-Lombardo, M.P.A.
 Director, Department of Community Resilience

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