

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BEXAR

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO  
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT  
BEXAR GRANT AGREEMENT

This First Amendment (“First Amendment”) to the Beneficiary Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into by and between BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS (“COUNTY”), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, through its ARPA Office, and CHILDREN’S BEREAVEMENT CENTER OF SOUTH TEXAS (“BENEFICIARY” or “Grantee”), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in good standing and duly authorized to conduct business under the laws of the State of Texas (also, individually, a “Party” or, collectively, the “Parties”).

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2022, the Parties executed a Beneficiary Agreement, where the COUNTY agreed to reimburse BENEFICIARY an amount not to exceed EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$82,169.00), which was designed to provide direct assistance to BENEFICIARY to mitigate the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.

WHEREAS, through this First Amendment, COUNTY desires to amend the budget of the Beneficiary Agreement by adding SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-SIX CENTS (\$77,788.76). See Exhibit 1.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the new budget, the COUNTY agrees to reimburse BENEFICIARY a not to exceed amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND SENVENTY-SIX CENTS (\$159,957.76).

WHEREAS, BENEFICIARY will use the additional funds to address its challenges in covering operation costs related to its school-based grief support programming. See Exhibit 2.

NOW THEREFORE, COUNTY and SERVICE PROVIDER agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I**  
**AGREEMENT AMENDMENT**

- 1.01 Additional Compensation. This First Amendment adds an amount not to exceed of SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-SIX CENTS (\$77,788.76), bringing the new total budget to a not to exceed amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND SENVENTY-SIX CENTS (\$159,957.76).

**ARTICLE II**  
**OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- 2.01 The Recitals section beginning on page 1 of this First Amendment is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Agreement.
- 2.02 Except as modified by this First Amendment, all other terms and conditions of the Beneficiary Agreement are hereby confirmed, ratified and shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THIS AGREEMENT IS EXECUTED THIS 2 DAY OF May, 2023.

COUNTY OF BEXAR


CHILDREN'S BEREAVEMENT  
CENTER OF SOUTH TEXAS

By:   
PETER SAKAI  
County Judge


By:   
Marian Sokol  
Executive Director


Date: 3/23/2023

**APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

  
JUAN A. ROQUE  
Assistant Criminal District Attorney  
Civil Division

**APPROVED AS TO FINANCIAL CONTENT:**

  
LEO S. CALDERA, CIA, CGAP,  
County Auditor

  
DAVID SMITH,  
County Manager

**APPROVED:**

  
MELISSA SHANNON  
Government Affairs/ARPA Office Director

**INVOICE EXPENDITURE REPORT**

Agency Name: Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas

Program: Mobile Mental Wellness Collaborative

Invoice #: 0722 MMW Bexar County

Date: 7/31/2022

Salaries		
DATE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
8-1-21 to 7-31-22	Andrea Grether - LPC	37,477.36
10-1-21 to 7-31-22	Paola Mistell - LPCA	21,186.22
SUBTOTAL		58,663.58
Fringe		
DATE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
8-1-21 to 7-31-22	Andrea Grether - LPC	4,532.28
10-1-21 to 7-31-22	Paola Mistell - LPCA	3,627.79
SUBTOTAL		8,160.07
Mileage		
DATE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
8-1-21 to 7-31-22		313.89
Feb 22	Kevin Menchaca - LPCA	6.14
22-Feb	Kayla Davis - LPCA	21.76
SUBTOTAL		341.79
Printing		
DATE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
Sep-22	Watermark Group	521.00
SUBTOTAL		521.00
Indirect 15%		
DATE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
8-1-21 to 7-31-22		10,102.32
SUBTOTAL		10,102.32
<b>TOTAL INVOICE</b>		<b>77,788.76</b>

## **EXHIBIT 2**

### **Negative COVID Financial Impact Report Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas**

As with most nonprofit organizations, the Children's Bereavement Center felt the impact of COVID financially, programmatically, and operationally. The Center was lucky to have held its event fundraiser in February prior to the pandemic shutdown which allowed for the prevention of an immediate and emergent financial crisis. However, as the second and third quarters progressed, private funding – which represents the bulk of the Center's revenue streams – showed significant financial reduction. The Center did not stop delivering services during the entirety of the pandemic as the need for grief services did not stop. In fact, the need for grief services was exacerbated by the volume of COVID deaths and by the heightened anxiety and mental anguish the pandemic created for many. The Center continued providing services virtually, which meant an initial investment for technology was needed as this was not a method the Center previously had to deliver services.

The Center did receive PPP loans for 2020 and 2021 in the amount of \$300,000 each year, which helped offset Center-based counseling services and administrative compensation costs. But even with this safety net, costs still outpaced revenue. For year-end December 31, 2020, and 2021 school based counseling costs exceeded funding by \$42K and \$115K respectively. The negative impact was due primarily to salaries and wages associated with services provided for school-based counseling staff who continued to provide support to children and caregivers via telehealth.

The Center has requested financial support from Bexar County through American Rescue Plan Act funding, to help offset the unfunded costs of the school-based grief support programming and to allow these services to continue to be available to the grieving children and caregivers in our county. The Center's volumes have increased significantly and the demand for services continues to grow.