

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: 11/13/2025

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chair, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Chantell Jewell, Superintendent, Milwaukee County Community Reintegration Center (CRC)

Subject: The Superintendent of the Community Reintegration Center (CRC) respectfully requests approval to execute a three-year Professional Service Agreement with the option to extend this agreement for up to two (2) additional one (1) year renewal terms with Ezekiel Community Development Corporation, doing business as Ezekiel HOPE, to deliver Post-Release Skills Training Program (PRSTP). under RFP-2025-CRC-02.

File Type: Action Report

POLICY

Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances:	MCCO 56.30
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BACKGROUND

On August 1, 2025, Milwaukee County Request for Proposals (RFP) #2025-CRC-02 for a structured training program to support individuals transitioning from CRC into the community.

Following a comprehensive and competitive evaluation process, the proposal submitted by Ezekiel Community Development Corporation (Ezekiel HOPE) was determined to fully satisfy all requirements and evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP.

The County issued a Notice of Intent to Award on October 23, 2025, identifying Ezekiel HOPE as the selected vendor following a competitive evaluation.

DETAILS OF THE NEW CONTRACT

The 2026 Professional Service Agreement engages Ezekiel HOPE, to deliver the Post-Release Skills Training Program (PRSTP) to deliver The PRSTP provides vocational skills instruction, OSHA-10/CPR certification, job readiness training, tools, safety equipment, and post-release employment support. Ezekiel HOPE will deliver two cohorts per year, each serving 10 participants. Deliverables include curriculum development, hands-on training, transportation support, certification fees, and job placement assistance.

This Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2026 (the “Effective Date”) and shall continue in full force and effect for an initial term of three (3) years, ending on December 31, 2028 (the “Initial Term”). Thereafter, the Parties may mutually agree in writing to extend this Agreement for up to two (2) additional one (1) year renewal terms (each, a “Renewal Term”), for a total potential contract term of five (5) years.

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent of the Community Reintegration Center respectfully requests the authority to execute a five-year agreement with Ezekiel Community Development Corporation, doing business as Ezekiel HOPE, to deliver the Post-Release Skills Training Program (PRSTP), beginning on January 1, 2026 (the “Effective Date”) and shall continue in full force and effect for an initial term of three (3) years, ending on December 31, 2028 (the “Initial Term”). Thereafter, the Parties may mutually agree in writing to extend this Agreement for up to two (2) additional one (1) year renewal terms (each, a “Renewal Term”), for a total potential contract term of five (5) years, contingent upon mutual agreement and satisfactory performance.

FISCAL EFFECT

A fiscal note form is attached.

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

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Brenda Smith, Contract Administrator, Community Reintegration Center

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C/o Chantell Jewell, Superintendent, Milwaukee County Community Reintegration Center

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Janelle M. Jensen, Legislative Services Division Manager, Office of the County Clerk