



City of Oceanside

300 North Coast Highway,
Oceanside, California 92054

Staff Report

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DATE: September 17, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Housing and Neighborhood Services Department

TITLE: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR BRIDGE HOUSING AND CASE MANAGEMENT

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Interfaith Community Services (ICS), in the amount of \$228,000, for operation of Oceanside Bridge Housing for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement upon receipt of all supporting documents.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The Housing and Neighborhood Services Department administers programs supporting homeless prevention, intervention, and housing stability, including management of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs). Bridge Housing addresses an identified service gap by providing short-term accommodation for Oceanside residents experiencing homelessness, including those receiving support through the Encampment Resolution Fund project, Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), and Oceanside Housing Authority (OHA) while they await access permanent housing.

Bridge Housing is a type of transitional housing that provides temporary living arrangements for individuals who have a housing plan but are awaiting voucher placement or facing barriers to securing immediate permanent housing. ICS owns 12 transitional housing units on Division Street, with three units (twelve beds) dedicated for Bridge Housing. The program prioritizes individuals who:

- have received HCVs and are searching for housing;
- veterans working with Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) or Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH); or
- are enrolled in Rapid Rehousing programs, or require short-term housing stabilization that have a Permanent Housing plan.

In collaboration with Oceanside HOT, Encampment Resolution Fund (ERF) case managers and OHA, staff select and place participants in Bridge Housing. The program aims to accommodate up to 24 individuals annually, with an average stay of 90 - 120 days. ICS offers case management, facilitates connections between residents and housing navigators and supportive service providers,

and maintains a 24/7 Resident Coordinator to address on-site needs.

Bridge Housing also complements the Oceanside Navigation Center by providing a transitional step toward permanent housing solutions. This program has also been instrumental in supporting the City's ERF Project. Bridge Housing provides short-term placements and case management that align with the ERF's phased, zone-based approach to relocating individuals from encampments along Buena Vista Creek area. These individuals utilize Oceanside Bridge Housing as form of interim housing while they locate permanent housing options through the ERF-funded Rapid Rehousing Program. This coordination ensures that clients receive continuous services as they move from homelessness to structured housing programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

The PSA with Interfaith Community Services in the amount of \$228,000 will be charged to 150953103.5395 (Measure X - Homeless Diversion/Prevention), which has an available balance of \$493,000; therefore, sufficient funds are available.

Description	Account Number	Available Balance	PSA Amount
Measure X	150953103.5395	\$493,000	\$228,000

COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT

On May 8, 2025, the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) approved the recommended budget, allocating Measure X funding, in the amount of \$620,000, for homeless diversion and prevention programs, inclusive of the Bridge Housing program.

CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS

The referenced documents have been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Staff Report
2. PSA with Interfaith Community Services