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**GRANT CONTRACT
BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT
OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY
AND
MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE**

This Grant Contract issued and entered into pursuant to Resolution RS2021-1045 by and between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County ("Metro"), and MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE, ("Recipient"), is for the provision of training college students as peer health educators to create service-oriented resources to impact COVID19 disparities and related social determinants of health, as further defined in the "SCOPE OF PROGRAM".

A. SCOPE OF PROGRAM:

A.1. The Recipient will serve as a viable and expedient source of training college students as peer health educators (Student Health Ambassadors). The Recipient will provide services at Meharry Medical College, Fisk University and Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tennessee.

These funds will be used to achieve the following outcomes:

- Recruit 30 students to serve as health ambassadors to enhance wellness and educational strategies for marginalized communities
- Recruit 2 Public Health Masters students to guide Student Health Ambassadors in ensuring Public Health message testing and implementation strategy (through bi-weekly Health Ambassador and master's student meetings)
- Train students in Community Based Participatory Research using a Service-Learning Model
- Support student led design of COVID and related Social Determinants of Health messaging and content that is culturally competent and medically accurate, including but not limited to, debunking facts and myths related to vaccination, mistrust, and increasing health literacy
- Dissemination of content to other young adults in community based and faith-based organizations
- Plan/organize and conduct social media training for Student Health Ambassadors in partnership with local branding development agency
- Share products on social media platforms and in print
- Development of a webpage to make all student developed content accessible to the public and
- Host administrative monthly meetings with Student Ambassadors to assess progress, answer questions, and problem solve challenges
- Host administrative quarterly meetings to review quarterly progress reporting, plan and implement projects, monitor program operations and budget
- Host annual meeting to present findings, successes and lessons learned to local health officials and community members
- Participation in ongoing community-wide prevention education and outreach initiatives
- Conduct/Host a young adult townhall on COVID messaging and perceptions with subsequent report of townhall findings
- Develop and administer a pre and post survey to Health Ambassadors about COVID prevention that assesses:
 - Knowledge of COVID related about community strengths, fears, and vulnerabilities within communities
 - Knowledge and understanding about COVID 19 among young adults
 - The number of young adults vaccinated (primary vaccination series) against COVID 19

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- Changes in knowledge and perception of COVID 19 (i.e. positive attitude about vaccination and testing)
- Changes in COVID 19 risk reduction behaviors

A.2. The Recipient must spend funds consistent with the Grant Spending Plan, attached and incorporated herein as Attachment 1. The Recipient must collect data to evaluate the effectiveness of their services and must provide those results to Metro according to a mutually acceptable process and schedule, and when needed, upon request. These data shall include:

- Quarterly reports on project implementation and status
- Annual report on project achievements, lessons learned and outcomes
- All developed materials to be shared with funding agency
- Other data as requested.

A.3. The Recipient will only utilize these funds for services the Recipient provides to residents and/or visitors in Davidson County through the Recipient's Student Health Ambassador program in Davidson County.

B. GRANT CONTRACT TERM:

B.1. **Grant Contract Term.** The term of this Grant will be eighteen (18) months, commencing on December 1, 2022, and ending on May 31, 2024. Metro will have no obligation for services rendered by the Recipient that are not performed within this term.

C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

C.1. **Maximum Liability.** In no event will Metro's maximum liability under this Grant Contract exceed One Hundred Fifteen Thousand and Five Hundred dollars (\$115,500). The Grant Spending Plan will constitute the maximum amount to be provided to the Recipient by Metro for all of the Recipient's obligations hereunder. The Grant Spending Plan line items include, but are not limited to, all applicable taxes, fees, overhead, and all other direct and indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Recipient.

Subject to modification and amendments as provided in section D.2 of this agreement, this amount will constitute the Grant Amount and the entire compensation to be provided to the Recipient by Metro.

C.2. **Payment Methodology.** The Recipient will only be compensated for actual costs based upon the Grant Spending Plan, not to exceed the maximum liability established in Section C.1. For each invoice submitted, the Recipient shall certify that the funds were utilized for necessary expenditures related provision of training college students as peer health educators to create service-oriented resources to impact COVID19 disparities and related social determinants of health and are within the scope of this agreement.

Upon progress toward the completion of the work, as described in Section A of this Grant Contract, the Recipient shall submit invoices and any supporting documentation as requested by Metro to demonstrate that the funds are used as required by this Grant, prior to any payment for allowable costs. Such invoices shall be submitted no more often than monthly and indicate at a minimum the amount charged by Spending Plan line-item for the period invoiced, the amount charged by line-item to date, the total amount charged for the period invoiced, and the total amount charged under this Grant Contract to date.

Recipient must send all invoices to Erika.Leslie@nashville.gov.

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Final invoices for the contract period should be received by June 15, 2024. Any invoice not received by the deadline date will not be processed and all remaining grant funds will expire.

- C.3. **Annual Expenditure Report.** The Recipient must submit a final grant Annual Expenditure Report, to be received by Bradley.thompson@nashville.gov and Erika.Leslie@nashville.gov, within thirty (30) days of the end of the Grant Contract. Said report must be in form and substance acceptable to Metro and must be prepared by a Certified Public Accounting Firm or the Chief Financial Officer of the Recipient Organization.
- C.4. **Payment of Invoice.** The payment of any invoice by Metro will not prejudice Metro's right to object to the invoice or any other related matter. Any payment by Metro will neither be construed as acceptance of any part of the work or service provided nor as an approval of any of the costs included therein.
- C.5. **Unallowable Costs.** The Recipient's invoice may be subject to reduction for amounts included in any invoice or payment theretofore made which are determined by Metro, on the basis of audits or monitoring conducted in accordance with the terms of this Grant Contract, to constitute unallowable costs. Utilization of Metro funding for services to non-Davidson County residents is not allowed. Any unallowable cost discovered after payment of the final invoice shall be returned by the Recipient to Metro within fifteen (15) days of notice.
- C.6. **Deductions.** Metro reserves the right to adjust any amounts which are or become due and payable to the Recipient by Metro under this or any Contract by deducting any amounts which are or become due and payable to Metro by the Recipient under this or any Contract.
- C.7. **Travel Compensation.** Payment to the Recipient for travel, meals, or lodging is subject to amounts and limitations specified in Metro's Travel Regulations and subject to the Grant Spending Plan.
- C.8. **Electronic Payment.** Metro requires as a condition of this contract that the Recipient have on file with Metro a completed and signed "ACH Form for Electronic Payment". If Recipient has not previously submitted the form to Metro or if Recipient's information has changed, Recipient will have thirty (30) days to complete, sign, and return the form. Thereafter, all payments to the Recipient, under this or any other contract the Recipient has with Metro, must be made electronically.
- D. **STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**
 - D.1. **Required Approvals.** Metro is not bound by this Grant Contract until it is approved by the appropriate Metro representatives as indicated on the signature page of this Grant.
 - D.2. **Modification and Amendment.** This Grant Contract may be modified only by a written amendment that has been approved in accordance with all Metro procedures and by appropriate legislation of the Metropolitan Council.
 - D.3. **Termination for Cause.** Should the Recipient fail to properly perform its obligations under this Grant Contract or if the Recipient violates any terms of this Grant Contract, Metro will have the right to immediately terminate the Grant Contract and the Recipient must return to Metro any and all grant monies for services or programs under the grant not performed as of the termination date. The Recipient must also return to Metro any and all funds expended for purposes contrary to the terms of the Grant. Such termination will not relieve the Recipient of any liability to Metro for damages sustained by virtue of any breach by the Recipient.

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- D.4. **Termination - Notice.** Metro may terminate the Grant Contract without cause for any reason. Said termination shall not be deemed a Breach of Contract by Metro. Metro shall give the Recipient at least thirty (30) days written notice before effective termination date.
- (a) The Recipient shall be entitled to receive compensation for satisfactory, authorized service completed as of the effective termination date, but in no event shall Metro be liable to the Recipient for compensation for any service that has not been rendered.
- (b) Upon such termination, the Recipient shall have no right to any actual general, special, incidental, consequential or any other damages whatsoever of any description or amount.
- D.5. **Termination - Funding.** The Grant Contract is subject to the appropriation and availability of local, State and/or Federal funds. In the event that the funds are not appropriated or are otherwise unavailable, Metro shall have the right to terminate the Grant Contract immediately upon written notice to the Recipient. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Recipient shall cease all work associated with the Grant Contract on or before the effective termination date specified in the written notice. Should such an event occur, the Recipient shall be entitled to compensation for all satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the effective termination date. The Recipient shall be responsible for repayment of any funds already received in excess of satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the effective termination date.
- D.6. **Subcontracting.** The Recipient may not assign this Grant Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the services performed under this Grant Contract without obtaining the prior written approval of Metro. Notwithstanding any use of approved subcontractors, the Recipient will be considered the prime Recipient and will be responsible for all work performed.
- D.7. **Conflicts of Interest.** The Recipient warrants that no part of the total Grant Amount will be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of Metro as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Recipient in connection with any work contemplated or performed relative to this Grant Contract.
- D.8. **Nondiscrimination.** The Recipient hereby agrees, warrants, and assures that no person will be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Grant Contract or in the employment practices of the Recipient on the grounds of disability, age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification which is in violation of applicable laws. The Recipient must, upon request, show proof of such nondiscrimination and must post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.
- D.9. **Records.** The Recipient must maintain documentation for all charges to Metro under this Grant Contract. The books, records, and documents of the Recipient, insofar as they relate to work performed or money received under this Grant Contract, must be maintained for a period of three (3) full years from the date of the final payment or until the Recipient engages a licensed independent public accountant to perform an audit of its activities. The books, records, and documents of the Recipient insofar as they relate to work performed or money received under this Grant Contract are subject to audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice by Metro or its duly appointed representatives. Records must be maintained in accordance with the standards outlined in the Metro Grants Manual and in accordance with 2 CFR 200 Uniform Guidance. The financial statements must be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- D.10. **Monitoring.** The Recipient's activities conducted and records maintained pursuant to this Grant Contract are subject to monitoring and evaluation by The Metropolitan Office of Financial Accountability or Metro's duly appointed representatives. The Recipient must make all audit, accounting, or financial records, notes, and other documents pertinent to this grant available for

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review by the Metropolitan Office of Financial Accountability, Internal Audit or Metro's representatives, upon request, during normal working hours.

- D.11. **Reporting.** The Recipient must submit a Final Program Report, to be received by Brad.Thompson@nashville.gov and Erika.Leslie@nashville.gov, within thirty (30) days of the end of the Grant Contract. Said reports shall detail the outcome of the activities funded under this Grant Contract.
- D.12. **Strict Performance.** Failure by Metro to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or provisions of this agreement is not a waiver or relinquishment of any such term, covenant, condition, or provision. No term or condition of this Grant Contract is considered to be waived, modified, or deleted except by a written amendment by the appropriate parties as indicated on the signature page of this Grant.
- D.13. **Insurance.** The Recipient agrees to carry adequate public liability and other appropriate forms of insurance, and to pay all applicable taxes incident to this Grant Contract.
- D.14. **Metro Liability.** Metro will have no liability except as specifically provided in this Grant Contract.
- D.15. **Independent Contractor.** Nothing herein will in any way be construed or intended to create a partnership or joint venture between the Recipient and Metro or to create the relationship of principal and agent between or among the Recipient and Metro. The Recipient must not hold itself out in a manner contrary to the terms of this paragraph. Metro will not become liable for any representation, act, or omission of any other party contrary to the terms of this paragraph.
- D.16. **Indemnification and Hold Harmless.**
- (a) Recipient agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Metro, its officers, agents and employees from any claims, damages, penalties, costs and attorney fees for injuries or damages arising, in part or in whole, from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of Recipient, its officers, employees and/or agents, including its sub or independent contractors, in connection with the performance of the contract, and any claims, damages, penalties, costs and attorney fees arising from any failure of Recipient, its officers, employees and/or agents, including its sub or independent contractors, to observe applicable laws, including, but not limited to, labor laws and minimum wage laws.
 - (b) Metro will not indemnify, defend or hold harmless in any fashion the Recipient from any claims, regardless of any language in any attachment or other document that the Recipient may provide.
 - (c) Recipient will pay Metro any expenses incurred as a result of Recipient's failure to fulfill any obligation in a professional and timely manner under this Contract.
 - (d) Recipient's duties under this section will survive the termination or expiration of the grant.
- D.17. **Force Majeure.** The obligations of the parties to this Grant Contract are subject to prevention by causes beyond the parties' control that could not be avoided by the exercise of due care including, but not limited to, acts of God, riots, wars, strikes, epidemics or any other similar cause.
- D.18. **Iran Divestment Act.** In accordance with the Iran Divestment Act, Tennessee Code Annotated § 12-12-101 et seq., Recipient certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, neither Recipient nor any of its subcontractors are on the list created pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 12-12-106. Misrepresentation may result in civil and criminal sanctions, including contract termination, debarment, or suspension from being a contractor or

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subcontractor under Metro contracts.

- D.19. **State, Local and Federal Compliance.** The Recipient agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations in the performance of this Grant Contract.
- D.20. **Governing Law and Venue.** The validity, construction and effect of this Grant Contract and any and all extensions and/or modifications thereof will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee. The venue for legal action concerning this Grant Contract will be in the courts of Davidson County, Tennessee.
- D.21. **Completeness.** This Grant Contract is complete and contains the entire understanding between the parties relating to the subject matter contained herein, including all the terms and conditions of the parties' agreement. This Grant Contract supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, negotiations, and agreements between the parties relating hereto, whether written or oral.
- D.22. **Severability.** In the event any provision of this Agreement is rendered invalid or unenforceable, said provision(s) hereof will be immediately void and may be renegotiated for the sole purpose of rectifying the error. The remainder of the provisions of this Agreement not in question shall remain in full force and effect.
- D.23. **Headings.** Section headings are for reference purposes only and will not be construed as part of this Grant Contract.
- D.24. **Metro Interest in Equipment.** The Recipient will take legal title to all equipment and to all motor vehicles, hereinafter referred to as "equipment," purchased totally or in part with funds provided under this Grant Contract, subject to Metro's equitable interest therein, to the extent of its *pro rata* share, based upon Metro's contribution to the purchase price. "Equipment" is defined as an article of nonexpendable, tangible, personal property having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost which equals or exceeds \$5,000.00.

The Recipient agrees to be responsible for the accountability, maintenance, management, and inventory of all property purchased totally or in part with funds provided under this Grant Contract. Upon termination of the Grant Contract, where a further contractual relationship is not entered into, or at any time during the term of the Grant Contract, the Recipient must request written approval from Metro for any proposed disposition of equipment purchased with Grant funds. All equipment must be disposed of in such a manner as parties may agree as appropriate and in accordance with any applicable federal, state or local laws or regulations.

- D.25. **Assignment—Consent Required.** The provisions of this contract will inure to the benefit of and will be binding upon the respective successors and assignees of the parties hereto. Except for the rights of money due to Recipient under this contract, neither this contract nor any of the rights and obligations of Recipient hereunder may be assigned or transferred in whole or in part without the prior written consent of Metro. Any such assignment or transfer will not release Recipient from its obligations hereunder. Notice of assignment of any rights to money due to Recipient under this Contract must be sent to the attention of the Metro Department of Finance.
- D.26. **Gratuities and Kickbacks.** It will be a breach of ethical standards for any person to offer, give or agree to give any employee or former employee, or for any employee or former employee to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparations of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or

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controversy or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement of a contract or subcontract or to any solicitation or proposal therefore. It will be a breach of ethical standards for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or a person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order. Breach of the provisions of this paragraph is, in addition to a breach of this contract, a breach of ethical standards which may result in civil or criminal sanction and/or debarment or suspension from participation in Metropolitan Government contracts.

D.27. **Communications and Contacts.** All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications from the Recipient required or contemplated by this Grant Contract must be in writing and must be made by email transmission, or by first class mail, addressed to the respective party at the appropriate email or physical address as set forth below or to such other party, email, or address as may be hereafter specified by written notice.

Metro

For contract-related matters:
Holly.rice@nashville.gov
2500 Charlotte Avenue
Nashville, TN 37209
(615) 340-8900

For inquiries regarding invoices:
Nancy.uribe@nashville.gov
2500 Charlotte Avenue
Nashville, TN 37209
(615) 340-5634

Recipient

For contract-related matters:
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1005 Dr DB Todd Jr Blvd
Nashville, TN 37208
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(615) 327-6089

For inquiries regarding invoices:
Terri L. Cody
Meharry Medical College
1005 Dr. DB Todd Jr Blvd
Nashville, TN 37208
tcody@mmc.edu
(615) 327-6834

D.28. **Lobbying.** The Recipient certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that:

- a. No federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Recipient, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, and entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Recipient must complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The Recipient will require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including sub-grants, subcontracts, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subcontractors of federally appropriated funds shall certify and disclose accordingly.

D.29. **Effective Date.** This contract will not be binding upon the parties until it has been signed first by the Recipient and then by the authorized representatives of the Metropolitan Government and

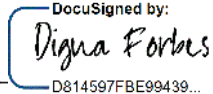
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has been filed in the office of the Metropolitan Clerk. When it has been so signed and filed, this contract will be effective as of the date first written above.

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RECIPIENT:

By:  _____
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Title: Digna Forbes
Interim Dean, School of Medicine
Meharry Medical College

Date: 3/31/2023

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY

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Director, Metro Public Health Department Date

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Chair, Board of Health Date

APPROVED AS TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:

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Kelly Flannery 6/5/2023
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Director, Department of Finance ^{DS}BB ^{DS}AP Date

APPROVED AS TO RISK AND INSURANCE:

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Balogun Cobb 6/5/2023
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Director of Risk Management Services Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Matthew Garth 6/8/2023
Metropolitan Attorney Date

FILED:

Metropolitan Clerk Date