

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-38

**AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR SERVICES TO
EDUCARE SUPPORT SERVICES, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Community Partners Program (CP2) was established by the Council to provide services that augment but do not duplicate existing City programming, advance Council priorities, and provide residents with support and resources needed to meet fundamental human needs; and

WHEREAS, the growing food insecurity challenges faced by residents was identified by the City as a fundamental need that could be addressed through the CP2 program; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals for services typically provided by a food pantry and required to secure and distribute quality nutritious foodstuffs to Takoma Park's low income households and food insecure individuals was developed and released on March 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, proposals were submitted by EduCare Support Services, Inc. ("EduCare") and Adventist Community Services of Greater Washington, Inc. ("ACSGW"); and

WHEREAS, both EduCare and ACSGW, having operated successful food pantries in the community for several years, were found to have submitted responsive and responsible proposals; and

WHEREAS, the FY18 budget includes funding in the amount of \$15,000 in the Community Partners Program budget for services related to the operation of a food pantry benefitting Takoma Park residents; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Department has proposed the execution of a separate contract for desired food pantry services with each organization and the equal allocation of budgeted funds between the two proposed contracts for services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee is authorized to enter into a contract with EDUCARE SUPPORT SERVICES, INC. for services related to the Food Pantry Program for a fee of SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500.00).

SECTION 2. The City Manager is further authorized to renew, as appropriate, such contract for up to three additional one-year terms.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ADOPTED this 12th day of July, 2017 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE: Stewart, Kovar, Male, Qureshi, Seamens, Smith, Schultz

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None