

## Public Notice

On March 27, 2013, City Council for the City of Houston (City) approved an Ordinance authorizing an agreement between the City of Houston (City) and Houston Shifa Services Foundation for the amount of \$850,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the acquisition and construction of a new center that supports abused women and children located at 8620 Westplace Drive. The City, through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD), is proposing to amend the agreement and award an additional \$200,000, for a total grant of \$1,050,000, in CDBG funds from the unallocated Neighborhood Facilities (Private/Public) line item in various Annual Action Plans where funding is available, to Houston Shifa Services Foundation. The agency is requesting additional funding to close the existing budget gap of \$400,000 that occurred due to higher than expected construction costs. Coupled with the \$200,000 in CDBG funds, the agency has agreed to provide matching funds in the amount of \$200,000 to close the aforementioned budget gap.

The public has thirty days to comment on this proposed item. The thirty-day period extends from Friday, January 24, 2014 through Sunday, February 23, 2014. For more information on this item, please contact Chris Butler at (713) 865-4196. Written comments can be submitted by mail to Derek Sellers, HCDD, 601 Sawyer Suite 400, Houston, TX 77007. Following the public comment period, the project will be submitted to City Council for approval. For more information on HCDD and its programs, you may access HCDD's website at [www.houstonhousing.org](http://www.houstonhousing.org).