

**ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-01-03**

**APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF CARE RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAM AND  
COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONSULTANT CONTRACTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County (ADAMHS Board) set aside funding in the amount of \$2,500,000 for Care Response through Resolution No. 23-11-07; and,

**WHEREAS**, the ADAMHS Board is establishing a community-based Care Response Pilot Program in partnership with the City of Cleveland Public Health Department and FrontLine Service; and,

**WHEREAS**, FrontLine Service will deploy teams of an unarmed licensed behavioral health professional and a certified peer support specialist directly in the City of Cleveland in response to mental and substance use disorder calls placed to 911 and 988 instead of a law enforcement response; and,

**WHEREAS**, R Strategy Group laid the foundation for the Care Response model in Cuyahoga County and is providing the ADAMHS Board communications and community engagement consultation to ensure clear and consistent messaging around Care Response; and

**WHEREAS**, the ADAMHS Board CEO and staff recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the ADAMHS Board to enter into contracts with FrontLine Service from a time period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 and R Strategy Group from a time period of December 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- A. The ADAMHS Board of Directors authorizes payment for the following:
  - 1. FrontLine Service - \$1,700,000
  - 2. R Strategy Group - \$59,500
  
- B. The ADAMHS Board Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute the necessary contractual agreements.

On the motion of Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., seconded by Michelle R. Curry, MPA, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

**AYES:** B. Addison, A. Bhardwaj, R. Blue, M. Curry, J. Dixon, S. Galloway,  
P. James-Stewart, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, H. Snider

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**DATE ADOPTED:** January 24, 2024