

SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION AGREEMENTS AND OTHER DIRECT TREATMENT PROVIDERS

REQUEST TO THE HEALTH COMMISSION

This Agreement is for the provision of direct treatment/services that serves as an extension of DPH's service delivery system.

PROPOSED UNITS OF SERVICES

Mode(s) of Service & Unit of Service (UOS)/ Number of Contacts (NOC) Definition	Number of Clients <input type="checkbox"/> Duplicated <input type="checkbox"/> Unduplicated	Number of Units/ NOC	Unit Cost
Month of Support – Research Staff*	N/A	51	\$15,245
*includes research staff salaries/benefits			

PRIMARY TARGET POPULATIONS

Agreement's Primary Target Groups	People who Inject Drugs in San Francisco, which consists of predominantly Black and Latinx people experiencing homelessness
Agreement's Primary Target Neighborhood or Area	Tenderloin, SOMA

Purpose of Agreement:

The Brief Longitudinal Incident Sentinel Surveillance (BLISS) project is designed to work toward ending the HIV epidemic and mitigating other health disparities for PWID, data collection systems need to be more rapid, representative, and responsive to this population at high risk. The BLISS Project will create a new epidemiological data collection system for PWID in Alameda and San Francisco counties which will recruit 600 PWID (300 in each county) using a novel venue-based / peer-referral hybrid method called Starfish Sampling to accrue a cohort and follow them longitudinally. Data will be used to develop and implement interventions to address HIV disparities among people inject drugs in our community.

Heluna Health is a licensed California non-profit that has served the non-profit, education and research communities for over 40 years. Heluna Health is a critical partner in DPH research with marginalized populations in San Francisco. The entire implementation team is funded via Heluna Health, and they have ample expertise in supporting the proposed study, including support of the staff who will be the main implementing drivers of the study. In the first year, the BLISS Project will increase staff size and deploy a team of 5 people full time research assistants to meet the goals of the first year, which are to establish collaborations and conduct the entire formative phase of research.

Monitoring Report/Program Review & Follow-up:

The Heluna and DPH teams meets on a weekly basis to monitor progress towards meeting grant goals. We will assess completion of the formative phase, ethical review and approval, community partnerships, baseline sample goal,

