

ORDINANCE NO. 026-88

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF
CHICAGO BY AND THROUGH ITS
AUTHORIZED NOMINEE FOR
OUTREACH AND NON-CONGREGATE
SHELTER TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority (“Authority”) operates a public transportation system in the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago by and through its authorized nominee (“Department”) is dedicated to supporting coordinated services to enhance the lives of Chicago residents by providing direct assistance and administering resources to a network of community-based organizations, social service providers, and institutions; and

WHEREAS, Homelessness is a matter of public concern that affects the public transportation system; and

WHEREAS, Department contracts with outside social service providers (“Delegate Agencies”) which are experienced in working with homeless individuals utilizing trains and other Authority spaces for shelter; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is committed to supporting and expanding existing engagements with social service organizations, to better connect people experiencing homelessness on the Authority’s system, with social services and ensuring safety while promoting dignity for all individuals in the transit space; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and the City of Chicago through its Department of Family & Support Services (“DFSS”) initially entered into an intergovernmental agreement (“IGA”) in 2023, per Ordinances Nos. 022-146 and 023-135, to provide funding for additional outreach services by the Delegate Agencies to support unsheltered residents who are utilizing trains and other Authority spaces for shelter; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and DFSS then entered into another IGA, per Ordinance No. 024-147, to continue supporting unsheltered residents with a term expiring on December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and Department now wish to enter into a new IGA to continue supporting unsheltered residents for a base term through December 31, 2027, with a one-year option to extend; and

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WHEREAS, The Authority has agreed to provide up to \$4,200,000.00 in funding for the base term and an additional \$4,200,000.00 in funding, if the parties exercise the option term; and

WHEREAS, The IGA permits either the Authority and Department to terminate the IGA upon thirty days' notice, contains a confidentiality clause, and requires Department to indemnify the Authority; and

WHEREAS, Cooperation between and among governmental agencies and entities through IGAs is authorized by the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (5 ILCS 220/1 et seq.); now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The President or Acting President of the Chicago Transit Authority and Chairman of the Board, or their designees, are hereby authorized to execute an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago through its Department which requires Department's Delegate Agencies to provide outreach services and dedicated non-congregate shelter beds to individuals that use trains and other Authority spaces as shelter, for a term through December 31, 2027, with a one (1) year option to extend through December 31, 2028, requires the Authority to pay Department a not-to-exceed amount of Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,200,000.00) for the base term and an additional Four Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,200,000.00), if the parties exercise the option to extend the term, for a total amount not-to-exceed Eight Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$8,400,000.00), permits either party to terminate the agreement upon thirty (30) days' notice, requires Department to indemnify the Authority, and contains such other terms as are substantially in conformance with the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Chicago and the Chicago Transit Authority for Homeless Outreach and Non-Congregate Shelter Grant Program Funds, attached at Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2. The President or Acting President of the Authority and the Chairman of the Board, or their designees, are further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

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APPROVED:

Chairman

August 12, 2026

PASSED:

Secretary

August 12, 2026