

CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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159 THORNDIKE STREET CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

September 17, 2019

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT AWARD: Educational Support

RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee approves an agreement with the following community partner for the Work Force programs; funds to be provided from the General Fund.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Period of Contract</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cambridge Housing Authority 362 Green St. Cambridge, MA 02139	7/1/19 – 6/30/20	\$54,325.00


DESCRIPTION: This contract is for the Workforce Summer College Immersion Program and Summer Literacy Program.

SUPPORTING DATA: RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 12..."motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money shall require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCES:

ACCOUNT:	55107	Instructional Services
FUND:	15000	General Fund
ORG:	893248	Deputy Supt/Cambridge Partners
PROJ:		

Respectfully Submitted,


Kenneth N. Salim, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Cambridge Housing Authority Contract

Purpose: Workforce Programs

Amount of Contract: \$54,325.00

Description/Scope of Services:

The Cambridge Housing Authority's Work Force Summer Programs

I. Summer Literacy Program (SLP) \$30,000

This program plays a central role in the larger Work Force literacy initiative. The SLP camp is designed for Work Force participants who will be eighth grade students in the upcoming school year. The program, which was initiated in 2002 with the support of the Cambridge Public Schools, aims to enhance the academic literacy skills of up to 25 students. The primary focus is on teaching reading comprehension strategies and increasing the students' research and presentation skills through group-based projects. The camp operates over a period of eight weeks on four mornings a week from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The program is designed so that students may also participate in other summer opportunities, specifically the Mayor's Summer Youth Program, through which they are placed in subsidized part-time jobs with local businesses.

II. Summer College Immersion Program (SCIP) \$24,325

The goal of this program is to prepare rising high school seniors who live in Cambridge public housing for the college application process. The program offers 24 students six weeks of SAT prep in math and English and a College Writing course in combination with weekly tours to colleges throughout New England. Participants will complete the summer program with a draft of their college essay.