



Agenda Briefing

Date of Meeting: 3/1/2022

Responsible Department: Emergency Services

Presenter: Brad Goudie

Briefing Prepared By: Brad Goudie

Strategic Focus Area: City Services

General Information / Subject:

City of Seabrook is recommending council to approve a Charity Care Policy. This will make the city eligible to apply for TASPP (Texas Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program).

Executive Summary / Background:

TASPP was established in 2009 to serve as a critical funding stream to government owned ambulance providers. On average, government owned ambulances serve a disproportionate share of Medicaid and the uninsured.

Medicaid reimbursement rates only cover on average 20% of a providers cost to provide emergency medical services. Inadequate funding levels creates strains on local communities.

In 2019, the UUCC Program transitioned to a Charity Care Pool eliminating Medicaid shortfall supplemental funding and redefining Uninsured Costs to Charity Care Costs.

Charity care requires providers to implement a policy, determine patient's ability to pay and identify the uncollectible portion as "charity care"

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Funding / Fiscal Information:

Account Number: [REDACTED]

Amount Budgeted: [REDACTED]

Amount Requested / Required: [REDACTED]

Funding Source (if not budgeted):

[REDACTED]

Supporting Materials Attached: Yes No

Prior Action / Review by Council, Boards, Commissions:

Program has been reviewed by the Director of Emergency Services and the City Manager. The Charity Care Policy is recommended for approval by City Council.

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Staff Recommendation:

Staff Recommends approval of The City of Seabrook Charity Care Policy.

**APPROVED BY:
(as appropriate)**

Brad Goudie

Preparer or Department Director

Date

Building Official

Date

Robin Lenio

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City Secretary for agenda processing

Date

City Engineer/Asst. Dir. PW

Date

Community and Visitor Relations Director

Date

Court Director

Date

Deputy City Manager

Date

EDC Director

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Emergency Services Director

Michael [Signature]

Finance Director

HR Director

IT Director

Police Chief

Public Works Director

Gayle Cook

City Manager

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