

Denver Regional Council of Governments
State of Colorado

Finance and Budget Committee

Resolution No. 52, 2025

A resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Mi Casa Resource Center to deliver a series of multilingual HVAC & heat pump trainings for the building decarbonization program in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 through October 16, 2027.

Whereas, DRCOG received a \$199.7 million grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program to implement a regional building decarbonization initiative; and

Whereas, the program includes a \$900,000 budget to deliver 10 total trainings (at 15 students & 80 hours per training) to jobseekers whose primary language is not English. Trainings will be delivered through subcontractors: Red Rocks Community College, Front Range Community College and Blue Sky Training.

Whereas, DRCOG conducted a competitive bidding process administered by a selection panel consisting of members of DRCOG's Building Decarbonization Program and Contracts Team. The request for proposals received 3 proposals in total, of which 2 were interviewed.

Whereas, of the interviewed proposals, the review panel determined that Mi Casa Resource Center (and their team of subcontractors) were extremely qualified to use federal funds for economic development in their local workforce. Mi Casa's cultural roots and expertise with this target demographic truly qualifies them to carry out the deliverables of training 150 non-native English speaking workers to enter the workforce.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Finance and Budget Committee authorizes the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Mi Casa Resource Center to deliver a series of multilingual HVAC & heat pump trainings for the building decarbonization program in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 through October 16, 2027.

Resolved, passed, and adopted this 3rd day of September, 2025 at Denver, Colorado.

Jeslin Shahrezaei, Chair
Finance and Budget Committee
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ATTEST:

Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director