

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 12, 2023

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Title 42 Expiration**

Title 42 provisions that have been in place for the last three years to manage migrant acceptance at the US border expired last night. While the larger impact of the expiration of Title 42 is unknown, the City of Dallas is developing contingency plans for the possibility of additional migrants coming to the Dallas area seeking assistance and shelter.

Currently, the City of Dallas has partnered with Dallas Responds and Catholic Charities of Dallas to address migrant services in our area. Dallas Responds, has been operating respite centers at two area churches that aid migrants bussed to Dallas and continue the journey to their final destinations. The respite center typically operates 12-hours per day, and the arrival of buses is coordinated with border cities. Catholic Charities of Dallas has been providing support to individuals who have made their way to the Dallas area, but not through the planned coordination mentioned above.

While there is no direct indication that we will see an increased number of migrants in Dallas, staff is developing contingency plans. More details on these contingency plans will be provided as soon as possible. Until then, should it be necessary, staff is prepared to take immediate action to ensure that migrant needs are met including the emergency expenditure of City resources that may require Council ratification at some point.

Staff will continue to monitor this situation and be prepared to provide additional updates as needed. Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rocky Vaz".

Rocky Vaz, Director
Office of Emergency Management

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