# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (the "MOU"), dated for reference purposes only November 9, 2022, is made and entered into by and between: Jefferson Center for Mental Health ("JCMH") and JEFFERSON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY dba FOOTHILLS REGIONAL HOUSING, a body politic and corporate ("FRH") and together JCMH and FRH, the "Parties".

### **RECITALS**

- A. The Parties have formed a collaboration to provide housing and comprehensive support to Jefferson County's population, through a combination of housing assistance, support in navigating life, help with accessing medical and mental health services, job skills, training and employment, developing pro-social activities, financial literacy, and more.
- B. This MOU sets forth the general understanding and expectations regarding the operation of the Program.

## **AGREEMENT**

#### 1. Term

Any Party may withdraw from this MOU by providing thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party.

## 2. Program Overview

Through this partnership with Foothills Regional Housing, Jefferson Center will provide several programs and ancillary services to tenants of the Ives that are designed to foster the independence of individuals and help maintain stability in housing. These may include services such as suicide prevention programming, wellness classes on a wide range of behavioral and physical health topics, school-based counseling, life skills and parenting skills training, older adult services, trauma services, intensive outpatient (IOP) substance use group therapy, employment services, homelessness prevention, and veteran and military family services. All rooted in safe and stable housing, provided by FRH.

#### 3. Party Responsibilities

#### a. JCMH

Services will be offered both on-site (in person) as well as via telehealth to residents of the Ives, depending on individual resident needs. The Ives will provide private space, equipped with technology, which residents will be able to use to connect with their providers at Jefferson Center via telehealth; as well as private office space to meet with residents in person. Jefferson Center will work with tenants to live successfully in a community setting, and support tenants in transitioning into stable living. Some of this work will include areas such as understanding tenant

rights and responsibilities, navigating a new neighborhood, building healthy relationships with peers and community members, and maintaining relationships (including between mixed-use residents in the building). Staff will also work with tenants individually to successfully manage challenging interactions with neighbors as they arise (such as building coping tools, stress management or conflict resolution skills, etc). Jefferson Center is committed to offering support and training to staff of the Ives (such as Mental Health First Aid or other related trainings) to support a trauma-informed approach with residents as is needed and appropriate.

#### b. FRH

FRH will provide safe and stable housing options to applicants who will be expected to enter into a lease agreement with FRH.

FRH will screen applicants to ensure their backgrounds do not pose a threat to the surrounding community.

#### 4. Miscellaneous

### a. Entire Agreement.

This MOU represents the entire agreement of the Parties relating to the subject matter hereof and may not be modified or amended except by written agreement of all Parties.

#### b. Insurance.

Each Party shall maintain such insurance coverage, through commercial policy or self-insurance, as will protect it from claims which may arise out of or result from the performance of its responsibilities under this MOU.

### c. Compliance with Laws.

Each Party agrees to observe and comply with all Federal, State and local laws, regulations and ordinances applicable to such Party, and to procure all necessary licenses, permits or approvals, in the performance of their responsibilities hereunder.

# d. Information Confidentiality/Security.

During the course of the Parties' performance of their respective obligations hereunder, a Party may gain access to confidential information regarding another Party or a Program youth. All such information shall be maintained in strict confidence, shall not be used except as necessary for the performance of the Parties' obligations under this MOU and shall not be disclosed to any third party without prior written approval of the disclosing Party or Program youth, except required under the Colorado Open Records Act or other law unless such disclosure violates HIPAA. If a Party maintains such information in electronic form, such Party will take all reasonable precautions to maintain such information in a secure environment to prevent its unauthorized access, use or disclosure. If a Party becomes aware of any actual or suspected unauthorized access, use or disclosure of confidential Party or Program youth information, such Party shall notify all affected Parties or persons as soon as practicable. Upon the cancellation,

termination or completion of this MOU, all such information shall be returned or destroyed, at the discretion of the disclosing Party.

# e. No Third Party Beneficiaries.

The enforcement of this MOU and all rights of action relating to such enforcement, shall be strictly reserved to the Parties. Nothing contained in this MOU shall give or allow any claim or right of action whatsoever by any other third person, nor shall anything contained in this MOU be construed as a waiver of any provision of the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. §24-10-101, et. seq., as amended.

# f. Execution by Counterparts; Electronic Signatures.

This MOU may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. The Parties approve the use of electronic signatures for execution of this MOU. All documents must be properly notarized, if applicable. All use of electronic signatures shall be governed by the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, C.R.S. §§24-71.3-101 to -121.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed.

JEFFERSON CENTER FOR ME	NTAL HEA	ALTH	
By: Kiara Kuenzler	Title	CEO	
Signed: 3/23/2023			

JEFFERSON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY dba FOOTHILLS REGIONAL HOUSING

By: Normal Length Properties By: Lori Rosendall, Executive Director

## Record of Signing

For

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CEO

Kiara Kuuzler Signed on 2023-03-23 22:21:02 GMT

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