

FY 2023-2024 BUDGET QUESTION

Response to Request for Information

DEPARTMENT(S): Austin Public Health

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REQUEST: Please provide information on the FY24 funding amount for the Office of Violence Prevention. Please include a breakdown in General Fund allocations and any grant funding they may have. Please detail any projected changes in their funding compared to FY23.

RESPONSE:

In addition to General Fund allocations for FY23 and FY24, Austin Public Health Office of Violence Prevention received funding through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Budget Reserve Stabilization Fund, and a grant award through Office on Violence Against Women and a federal earmark. The amounts listed below will support programming through FY24.

Please see below for allocation amounts:

Funding Sources	FY23	FY24	Note
General Fund	\$1,693,434	\$1,532,365	General Fund operating budget. \$175,000 for the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative was moved from the unit to social services contracts
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$343,353	\$143,353	In FY23 the Office of Violence Prevention received one-time ARPA funding for Community Rooted Safety Grants (\$200,000). OVP also received funding for 2 temporary positions (\$143,353). These positions will continue through December 2024.
Firearms Assistance Project/DOJ/Office on Violence Against Women: FTAP (Grant)	\$108,000	\$175,602	OVP, received \$500,000 of one-time grant funding (Grant Period- 7/1/22 - 6/30/2025) from the Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women to develop a comprehensive firearm surrender protocol for domestic violence cases in Austin and Travis County. This grant also

			funds one FTE for the Office of Violence Prevention.
Federal Earmark [(Byrne Discretionary Grants – projects authorized for funding in the 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Public Law 117-328)]		\$1,000,000	Austin Public Health anticipates receiving \$1 million dollars in federal funding for community violence intervention in FY24. This funding will support ATX Peace, our Community Violence Intervention (CVI) program which provides street outreach, case management, and conflict mediation to individuals who are at the highest risk for committing or being the victim of community violence. This earmark will allow for services to continue in two existing hotspot locations with an expansion to the Givens Park area. CVI programming will be provided through FY24.
Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund (BSRF)	\$1,000,000		The Office of Violence Prevention received one-time BSRF dollars for a Trauma Recovery Center (TRC). The TRC will provide mental health trauma treatment, case management and wraparound services to victims of violent crime and their families. This funding will be spent over two years.