

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	21909	Agenda Number	11.
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Meeting Date:	2/14/2013	Department:	Health and Human Services
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Subject

Approve negotiation and execution of amendments to contracts with the following two providers of HIV-related services under the Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project and Minority AIDS Initiative Grant Program: AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, INC., in an amount not to exceed \$216,848 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,337,802 and with PROJECT TRANSITIONS, INC. in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$102,673.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$241,848 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) Special Revenue Fund, Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project and MAI Grant Program. The grant period is March 1, 2012 to February 28, 2013.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Council approved negotiation and execution of contracts on April 5, 2012.
For More Information:	Stephanie Hayden, Assistant Director for HHSD Community Services, 972-5017, Greg Bolds, HIV Resources Administration Manager, 972-5081, Alma Ruiz, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5010.
Boards and Commission Action:	The Austin Area Comprehensive HIV Planning Council on November 27, 2012 reallocated funds according to demonstrated need.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The purpose of the Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project is to provide support to clients who have been affected by HIV/AIDS and who reside in the five-county Austin Transitional Grant Area (TGA) that includes Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson counties. The program's goal is to assure access to primary medical care and medications as well as to provide critical support services necessary to maintain individuals in the system of HIV care. These services are provided in partnership with local organizations including AIDS Services of Austin, Inc., a provider of multiple core and supportive services including Health Insurance Premium, Food Bank and Oral Health services and Project Transitions, Inc., provider of Hospice services.

On November 16, 2012, the Austin TGA received a Notice of Award (NOA) from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for carry over funds. On November 27, 2012 the Austin Area Comprehensive HIV Planning Council, by its legislatively mandated responsibility of prioritizing and reallocating Part A service funds, allocated additional funds to Health Insurance Premium, Food Bank, Oral Health and Hospice services based on demonstrated need for these services. Funding in the amount of \$106,498 from the carry over award and \$135,350 in reallocated funds from the current grant will be used for the contract amendments.

This grant provides direct financial assistance to communities most severely affected by the HIV epidemic. The additional funds will be utilized by AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. to provide client insurance premiums and or co-payments and to provide additional food bank services. Project Transitions, Inc. will provide additional units of hospice services.

ATTACHMENT A

Related Department Goal:

Promotion/Prevention/Protection: Promote social services and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted population.

The additional Ryan White Part A HIV/AIDS funds and services are distributed as follow:

Performance Measures:

Output Measures:

Through AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, approximately 103 eligible clients will receive approximately 392 units of Health Insurance Continuation services. One unit=One payment per client.

Through AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, approximately 15 eligible clients will receive approximately 550 units of Case Management services. One unit= 15 minutes with client.

Through AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN, approximately 45 eligible clients will receive approximately 1,052 units of Food Bank services. One unit=One visit.

Through PROJECT TRANSITIONS, approximately 6 eligible clients will receive approximately 88 units of Hospice services. One unit=One day.