

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	24162	Agenda Number	26.
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Meeting Date:	5/23/2013	Department:	Health and Human Services
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## Subject

Approve negotiation and execution of an amendment to the 12-month contract with FRONT STEPS, INC. to provide homeless services at the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless, in an amount not to exceed \$19,397.29, for a total 12-month contract amount not to exceed \$2,266,813.29 for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$19,397.29 is available in the FY2012-13 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Special Revenue Fund. The grant period is October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Approval of Ordinance No. 20120910-001 to accept ESG funds on April 25, 2013.
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

### Emergency Solutions Grant

The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act), enacted into law on May 20, 2009, consolidated three of the separate homeless assistance programs administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act into a single grant program, and revised the Emergency Shelter Grants program and renamed it as the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) program. The ESG program is designed to be the first step in a continuum of assistance to help clients quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

On February 27, 2013, the City of Austin received notification from HUD of the availability of ESG funds in the amount of \$19,397.29. The additional ESG funding must be expended by September 30, 2013.

The City proposes to utilize the ESG funds for the FY12-13 ESG Shelter Maintenance and Operations program at the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless (ARCH).

### PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Performance Measures will not change since the funding type is Maintenance and Operations of the shelter. No additional clients will be served.

Related Departmental Goal: Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.