

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council		Item ID	36829	Agenda Number	12.
Meeting Date:	10/23/2014			Department:	Health and Human Services
Subject					
Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month contract with FRONT STEPS, INC., Austin, for the maintenance and operation of the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless in an amount not to exceed \$313,922 for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, with three 12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$345,314 per renewal term, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,349,864.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding in the amount of \$313,922 is available in the FY2014-15 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of the Health and Human Services Department.					
Fiscal Note					
A fiscal note is not required.					
Purchasing Language:					
Prior Council Action:	On September 9, 2014, Austin City Council approved the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20140909-001. On August 7, 2014, Austin City Council approved Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office 2014-15 Action Plan which includes the 2014-15 award of \$313,922 for Emergency Solutions Grant for the maintenance and operation at the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless. On September 26, 2013, Austin City Council approved a 12-month contract with FRONT STEPS, INC., Austin, for the provision of homeless social services at the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless in an amount not to exceed \$2,173,627 for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, with four 12-month renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$2,173,627 per renewal term, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$10,868,135.				
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Boards and Commission Action:					
MBE / WBE:					
Related Items:					

Additional Backup Information

The City of Austin has contracted with Front Steps, Inc. as operator of the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless (ARCH) since 2004. Front Steps is responsible for overall operations, maintenance, and oversight of the facility and the activities located therein. This contract funds the operations, maintenance, staff, food, and security services for the ARCH.

Front Steps will be providing a 100% match of cash or in-kind funds for the full amount as required by the grant, as well as other federal requirements outlined in the Code of Federal Regulations Title 24, Part 576.

Performance Measures

Performance Measures for the ARCH:

Outputs:

Number of Unduplicated clients served in the ARCH Day Resource Center	8,500
Number of Unduplicated clients served in the ARCH Overnight Shelter	2,200
Number of Individuals provided ARCH Case Management	300

Outcome:

Percentage of homeless individuals provided ARCH Case Management who exited to safe and stable housing	45%
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Related Departmental Goal: Provision of Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.