

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	37707	Agenda Number	44.
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Meeting Date:	11/20/2014	Department:	Health and Human Services
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES to purchase human immunodeficiency virus medication for eligible clients under the City's Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant, for a two-month term from January 1, 2015 through February 28, 2015, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) Special Revenue Fund, Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Services grant. The grant period is March 1, 2014 to February 28, 2015.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	September 26, 2013, Council approved last period's Ryan White Part A-Interlocal Agreement with Texas Department of State Health Services.
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Boards and Commission Action:	The Austin Area Comprehensive HIV Planning Council on September 24, 2013 allocated funds according to demonstrated need.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This proposed amendment with Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000. The cost of providing HIV medications increases each year, and the purchase of medications through this agreement counteracts DSHS rising costs and the demand for HIV medications for the growing number of HIV clients. DSHS will provide eligible clients residing in the Austin Transitional Grant Area (TGA), comprised of Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson counties, with approved formulary medications supplied by the Texas ADAP program.

The grantor is the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), an Agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). HRSA has authorized specific HIV service categories for allocation of Part A funds. One of these HRSA-defined categories is the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), a State-administered program authorized under Part B of the Ryan White Grant Program that provides Federal Drug Administration

(FDA)-approved medications to low-income individuals with HIV disease who have limited or no coverage from private insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare. The Ryan White HIV Planning Council has allocated funds to this service category.

All Department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.

HHSD Related Departmental Goal: Promotion/Prevention/Protection: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations.

OUTPUT MEASURE: Under this agreement, HHSD estimates that the Texas Department of State Health Services' AIDS Drug Assistance Program will be able to supply approximately 921 prescriptions of HIV medications at an average cost of \$434 per prescription for eligible clients residing in the Austin TGA.