



BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission

Recommendation Number: 20150610-003-8 : Discussion and possible action to recommend that the City Council consider the following resolutions.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission requests that the Austin City Council:

Accept "Latino Chronic Care Initiative" into the budget recommendation for FY2015-2016.

Date of Approval: 6/10/2015

Record of the vote: Motion by Commissioner Isabel Lopez-Aguilar and Seconded by Commissioner Martha Cotera. The item was approved unanimously.

Attest: _____

(Staff or board member can sign)

Background Information: Hispanic/Latino health is often shaped by factors such as the language/cultural barriers, lack of access to preventative care, and the lack of health insurance. Some of the leading causes of illness and death among Hispanics include heart disease, cancer, unintentional injuries (accidents), stroke, and diabetes. Some other health conditions and risk factors that significantly affect Hispanics are asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, HIV/AIDS, obesity, suicide, and liver disease. A Latino Chronic Care Initiative is proposed to be created to be located in the HHSD similar to the African American chronic care program currently residing in the HHSD. Startup funding in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 is proposed for the first year. Funding will also assist community based health promotion activities for preventative care. The budget for this item would be \$1,500,000.

