

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 13, 2018

Item Number: 022

Public Health

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Del Valle Independent School District for youth development services for a 12-month term ending September 30, 2019 and four 12-month renewal options.

Lead Department	Austin Public Health.
Fiscal Note	Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Public Health.
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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin Healthy Adolescent Program (AHA) engages youth through peer-led, comprehensive sexual health education to make informed, sexual-health decisions, and to prevent unplanned pregnancies and HIV/STI's. The evidence-based curriculum focuses on safer sexual health practices, healthy relationships, consent, and assertive communication using a trauma-informed approach to sexual health education. The program also connects adolescents with quality, youth-friendly services in Austin/Travis County.

AHA focuses on zip codes in the eastern crescent with the highest numbers of teen birth rates,

which include: 78758, 78753, 78724, 78723, 78721, 78741, 78617, and 78744. Based on 2015 teen birth rates, these zip codes had over 630 teen births for females aged 13-19. The Travis County teen birth rate is 18% compared to Caldwell County with a 30.8% rate, and Williamson County with a 10% teen birth rate. The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) has explained the 2016 data won't be finalized until the end of 2018.

Performance Measure

- Percent of participants who improved their score on a True/False test following the completion of a sexual health education curriculum = 80%

Related Department Goals

- Improve Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Outcomes from preconception through young adulthood