



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1163, **Agenda Item #:** 33.

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Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Council for At-Risk Youth for juvenile delinquency prevention services in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for an initial seven-month term through August 31, 2020, and \$70,000 for one 12-month renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$105,000.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$35,000 is available from the Community Youth Development Grant from the Texas Department of Family & Protective Services.

Prior Council Action:

September 11, 2018 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20180911-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget, which authorized \$449,957 in grant appropriations for the 78744 Community Youth Development Grant.

April 20, 2017 - Council approved the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Department of Family and Protective Services, 78744 Community Youth Development Grant for a three-month term from June 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017, with four twelve-month renewal options.

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Additional Backup Information:

On August 31, 2017, Council approved execution of three contracts for juvenile delinquency prevention services with Mexic-Arte Museum, Creative Action and Workers Assistance Program for an initial twelve-month term through August 31, 2018, with three twelve-month renewal options. Creative Action has opted not to renew the remaining renewal options on their contract and will end services on December 31, 2019. As a result, Council for At-Risk Youth (CARY) is offering to assume the same role, and proposes a school and community-based intervention at Mendez middle school in the 78744 zip code using the school-based, two semester-long PeaceRox Aggression Replacement Training (ART) program. ART includes small group instruction in social skills, anger management, empathy training and character education with individual behavioral counseling, coaching and goal setting.

The program services will have a goal of providing early intervention or prevention of at-risk behavior that leads to child abuse or neglect, delinquency, running away, and truancy.

Performance Measures:

- Number of youth served in the Community Youth Development (CYD) juvenile delinquency prevention

programs

- Percent of CYD juvenile delinquency prevention program youth not engaging in delinquent behavior
- Percent of targeted areas youth who participate in CYD juvenile delinquency prevention program.