



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1248, Agenda Item #: 31.

2/17/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of contracts with providers of HIV-related services under the Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief and Minority AIDS Initiative Grant Programs, for an initial 12-month term beginning on March 1, 2022 with up to three additional 12-month renewal options, as follows: Central Texas Community Health Centers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,428,563 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,714,252; AIDS Services of Austin, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,339,835 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,359,340; AIDS Healthcare Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$132,861 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$531,444; The Wright House Wellness Center in an amount not to exceed \$499,872 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,999,488; Texas Health Action in an amount not to exceed \$331,638 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,326,552; Austin Travis County Integral Care in an amount not to exceed \$333,604 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,334,416; Community Action, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$220,000; Project Transitions, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$150,063 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$600,252; AIDS Service of Austin, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$183,249 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$732,996; and The Wright House Wellness Center in an amount not to exceed \$143,640 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$574,560.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$4,598,325 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund. Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project and Minority AIDS Initiative grant contract period is March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023. Funding for the remaining terms is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

July 6, 2021 - The Austin HIV Planning Council approved Fiscal Year 2022 Part A service categories allocation (see Attachment A).

Additional Backup Information:

The Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief and Minority AIDS Initiative Grant Programs will provide support to clients living with HIV/AIDS, residing in the ten-county Health Service Delivery Area, which includes Bastrop,

Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis, and Williamson counties. The Ryan White Part A Grant provides financial assistance to communities most severely affected by the HIV epidemic.

The grant goal is to ensure access to primary medical care, medications, and critical support services necessary to maintain individuals in the system of HIV care. These services are provided through a subrecipient arrangement with local HIV service organizations and community-based organizations.

This request for authorization is time-sensitive to ensure the contracts can be executed to continue services to people living with HIV for the 2022-2023 grant term that begins March 1, 2022. Proposed subrecipient contract maximums include increases from the Fiscal Year 2022 “base” that are recommended in order to 1) adjust contracts to actual federal awards as they are received; 2) adjust contracts based on adopted service allocations and reallocations by the HIV Planning Council and late-term rapid reallocations; 3) provide the ability to execute contracts within 45 days of federal notice of award as required by grant terms and conditions; and 4) avoid repeated requests to Council in 2022-2023 for contract amendments based on potentially late notices of awards or the need to shift funds from one service or community partner to another, in a timely manner, as required by the grant.

The City’s obligation is strictly limited to funding awarded by the federal government and appropriately allocated to medical and support services according to grant legislation, regulation, and HIV Planning Council priorities.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.