



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2763, Agenda Item #: 55.

9/29/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with the Council on At-Risk Youth to provide juvenile delinquency prevention services for an initial 12-month term through August 31, 2023 with three 12-month renewal options, each in an amount not to exceed \$80,000, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$320,000.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$80,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund. Funding for the remaining terms is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Prior Council Action:

August 26, 2021- Council approved Ordinance No. 20210826-100, which approved acceptance of grant funds for this project, on a 9-0 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison and Council Member Kelly off the dais.

August 26, 2021- Council authorized negotiation and execution of a contract with three subgrantees for juvenile delinquency prevention services for an initial 12-month term through August 31, 2022, with four twelve-month renewal options, with the following providers: Workers Assistance Program in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000; E4 Youth in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000; and Mexic-Arte Museum in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 for the initial term and each renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000, on an 10-0 vote with Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison off the dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

Since 1996, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services has funded the 78744 Dove Springs Community Youth Development Program, with a goal of preventing juvenile delinquency through the provision of community-based prevention and remediation programs in the Dove Springs 78744 zip code area. The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services has identified the 78744-zip code area as having one of the top 25 statewide areas with a high incidence of juvenile crime. This funding will allow the Austin Public Health Department's Community Youth Development program to use a positive youth development approach to meet the goal of assisting communities in alleviating conditions in the family and community that lead to juvenile crime. Services will be provided to youth 10 to 17 years old, who live and/or attend school in the 78744-zip code area.

This funding will allow the Council on At-Risk Youth (also known as CARY) to implement their PeaceRox program, which utilizes Aggression Replacement Training (also known as ART) to successfully improve school disciplinary behaviors, improve social and citizenship skills, and divert at-risk youth from involvement in the juvenile justice system.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment, Economic Opportunity and Affordability