



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1374, **Agenda Item #:** 47.

3/23/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to the interlocal agreement with the Austin Independent School District to provide tutoring and academic support for youth, to add funding in an amount not to exceed \$27,223 for the term of October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2023, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,081,712.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$27,223 is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund.

Prior Council Action:

April 7, 2022 - Council authorized the negotiation and execution of agreements with 17 social service agencies, on a 9-1 vote with Mayor Adler voting nay and Council Member Harper-Madison absent.

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will provide additional funding for tutoring and academic support for low-income youth through the Austin Independent School District VICTORY Tutorial + Program (VICTORY Tutorial +). A budget rider from Council Member Tovo during the Fiscal Year 2023 budget process directed an increase in funding to VICTORY Tutorial + to restore funding to previous Fiscal Year 2021 levels.

VICTORY Tutorial + provides Austin Independent School District students high-quality, academic support to reach grade-level standards in core subjects. VICTORY Tutorial + collaborates with campus administration and teachers to target tutoring services to students demonstrating high-need and without access to resources to increase academic achievement, advancement to the next grade, and/or graduation for all students served.

This contract was awarded via a solicitation process. The Austin Public Health Department's (APH) Request for Applications 004-Youth Services 2021-AB was released on July 28, 2021 and applications were due on September 23, 2021. A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting took place on August 4, 2021 and August 5, 2021. APH received 38 applications.

The application evaluation process used set criteria to uniformly review all applicants that was evaluated by a separate and independent panel. A review panel comprised of individuals with education and expertise in the issue area rated each applicant. Evaluators agreed upon strengths and weaknesses for each applicant. Each

applicant received a resultant score based on this process. The criteria for evaluation included the following: fiscal and administrative capacity, experience and cultural competence/racial equity; program design and performance metrics; data-informed program management; and cost effectiveness.

APH awarded 17 applicants and each agreement has an initial base term of 15 months with four 12-month extension options.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.