

FY 2022-23 Budget Rider Form

Budget Rider

Provide direction \$127,000 in ongoing funding for a Veteran Services Coordinator position (Program Manager II) under the Management Services Department

Strategic Outcome Alignment

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Lead Sponsor

CM Renteria

Cosponsors (optional)

CM Harper-Madison, CM Vela, CM Fuentes, Mayor Adler

Amount and Source of Funding

Ongoing	One-Time	Revenue	FTEs	Source of Funds
\$127.00			1.00	General Fund

Additional Information

This budget rider would provide direction for a Program Manager II position that would provide externally-focused programming and services coordination for Austin's veteran community. This position would be under the Management Services Department while staff determines the most appropriate location for this position within the City of Austin organization. Please see the attached memo for further details and staff direction. Externally-focused programs that were previously provided by the City of Austin, and that this position would reinstate, include:

- Dress for Success – Support women veterans returning to the workforce with training, attire, and support for interviews.
- Veteran Emergency Response Team (VERT) – Coordinate and collaborate with Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) during emergencies within the city of Austin.
- AT&T Vets – Coordinate furniture donations between Donors, Veteran Affairs, and AT&T Vets, who are volunteers to pick-up and drop-off donations to no longer homeless veterans in the No Longer Homeless Veterans Furniture Program.
- Veteran County Service Offices – Work and collaborate with Veteran County Service Officers for referrals, events in the veteran community, and assistance with veteran benefits in the counties surrounding Austin.
- DAV, American Legion, Military Order of the Purple Heart, VFW, NABVETS – Provide resources, collaborate on events, job fairs, and veteran benefit referrals for veterans.
- Community Events – Support the Federal, State, County, and local veteran organizations, by providing resources, outreach, and partnerships to assist with events related to veteran services.