

Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2443, Agenda Item #: 191.

7/20/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of amendments to three agreements for HIV-related services under the Ryan White Part C HIV Early Intervention grant: Central Texas Community Health Centers, Inc. d/b/a Community Care, Aids Services of Austin, Inc., and Community Action of Central Texas, Inc., to add funding in an amount not to exceed \$449,201 to the 12-month term beginning January 1, 2023.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$449,201 is available from the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund. This amount also corrects a \$900 typographical error from the January 26, 2023, prior Council Action.

Prior Council Action:

On January 26, 2023, Council approved resolution No (202301260-051) which authorized negotiation and execution of agreements with three agencies to provide HIV-related services for a 12-month term beginning January 1,2023, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$320,258 divided among the agencies was approved on consent without objection.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of Amendment No. 1 will add \$449,201 to be divided among the three agencies of the agreement to provide community-based primary medical care, including oral health services, transportation services, and non-medical case management to people living with HIV during the 2023 grant term from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, has awarded grant funds for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C HIV Early Intervention Services and Capacity Development Program. The grant provides direct financial assistance to communities most severely affected by the HIV epidemic in the 10-county service-delivery area, which includes Travis, Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, and Williamson counties.

The City's annual grant award is formula driven and is a function of the total amount of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C HIV Early Intervention Services and Capacity Development Program funds appropriated by the U.S. Congress and the reported number of AIDS cases in the Austin Transitional Grant Area. The grant funds may be expended over three years from the date of the annual grant award.

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On October 5, 2022, the Austin Public Health Department submitted a grant continuation application in collaboration with the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C HIV Early Intervention Services and Capacity Development Program partner organizations for the project area, which includes Central Texas Community Health Centers, Inc. d/b/a Community Care, AIDS Services of Austin, and Community Action, Inc. The application process requires a new Competing Application for the first year of each five-year period, with Non-Competing Continuation Applications due for each of the remaining four years in the cycle. These organizations have collaborated on the Part C Program application for approximately 20 years and are collectively identified as an Austin Part C Partner.

On April 18, 2023, the Austin Public Health Department received a second Notice of Award (NOA) from the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration in the total budget period amount of \$901,217. The following projects were funded and allocated for a 12-month term beginning January 1, 2023, as follows:

Sub-recipient	FY 22-23 Annual Plan Allocations
Central Texas Community Health Centers, Inc. dba Community Care	\$279,222.00
Aids Services of Austin, Inc.	\$ 98,138.00
Community Action of Central Texas, Inc.	\$ 71,841.00
Total	\$449,201.00

Part C funds will be competed in 2024, with the new agreement beginning January 1, 2025.

Contracts are contingent upon the continuation of funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.