



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2545, **Agenda Item #:** 62.

8/31/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the agreement with El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission to provide outreach services promoting the COVID-19 vaccine to populations at high risk of severe COVID-19 disease, for an 11-month term beginning May 1, 2023 and ending March 31, 2024 in the amount of \$217,855, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$717,855.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$217,855 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund.

Prior Council Action:

November 18, 2021 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of agreements to provide outreach services promoting the COVID-19 vaccine to populations at high risk of severe COVID-19 disease for an 18-month term with eight social services agencies, on an 11-0 vote.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action would authorize the continuation of an existing social services agreement with El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission that operates a program to help low-income and minority families, immigrant, refugee, documented and undocumented individuals, particularly Hispanics/Latinos/Latinx, and other populations throughout Austin's eastern crescent, by conducting outreach to promote the COVID-19 vaccine with populations at high risk of severe COVID-19 disease and who have suffered disproportionate rates of infection and disparate outcomes as a result of COVID-19. El Buen partners with community agencies to coordinate to improve the health and socioeconomic disparities in Austin for minority populations that lack access to health care, transportation, healthy foods, and other equitable determinants. The base agreement was in the amount of \$500,000 for a period of December 1, 2021 to April 30, 2023 and amendment No. 1 was a no cost amendment to modify the program exhibits.