

## OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

02/29/24

**CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):**

Austin Public Health

**FUND:**

Special Revenue

**SUBJECT:** Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20230816--008) to accept and appropriate \$25,000 in grant funds from Home Grown for the Building Comprehensive Networks for Home-Based child care grant.

**CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:**

	2023-2024 Approved	This Action	2023-2024 Amended
Special Revenue Fund			
<b>Home Grown grant</b>			
		25,000	25,000
<b>Total</b>		<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
FTEs	0.00	0.00	0.00

**FIVE-YEAR IMPACT:**

	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Total Revenue	25,000				
Total Expenditures	25,000				
Net Impact	0				

**ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The COVID-19 pandemic shed light on the need for regulated child care during nontraditional hours for essential workers. For many parents, home-based child care is not only the most affordable and accessible option, but the only option for care during nontraditional hours, like evenings, nights, and weekends. These grant funds will support a planning grant to help create a comprehensive network strategy for home-based child care providers that promotes child care quality, sustainability, and the well-being of providers, with a primary focus on equity. Currently, our community lacks a comprehensive strategy and structure for meeting these needs. Additionally, the network would serve as an informative resource for shaping public policy and funding decisions.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the Austin Public Health Department's need for continued funding will be evaluated and may be denied.