

## AGENDA



Thursday, September 25, 2008

**Health and Human Services  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**Item No. 31**

**Subject:** Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$12,038 in grant funds from the U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, Washington, D.C.; and amending the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund Ordinance 20070910-003 to appropriate \$12,038 for the Ryan White Part A HIV Minority AIDS Initiative grant program to improve human immunodeficiency virus-related health outcomes by reducing racial and ethnic health disparities.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$12,038 is available from the Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration. The grant period is from August 1, 2008 to July 31, 2009. No City match is required.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Vince Cobalis, Assistant Director for Human Services, 972-5011, Mark Peppler, HIV Resources Administration Manager, 972-5081, Linda Terry, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023.

**Prior Council Action:** Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget; September 10, 2007.

The City of Austin Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) received notice of grant award on July 23, 2008, in the amount of \$242,038 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Ryan White Part A Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) grant program for the period of August 1, 2008 to July 31, 2009. This is the second year of a three-year grant project period. The award is an increase from the previous year and \$12,038 greater than the amount approved in the City's Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget for the Ryan White Part A MAI program.

The purpose of the Ryan White Part A MAI program is to improve HIV-related health outcomes by reducing existing racial and ethnic health disparities. The Austin Ryan White MAI Program provides culturally appropriate outreach and non-medical case management services to African American and Latino individuals who are affected by HIV/AIDS and who reside in the five-county Transitional Grant Area (TGA) that includes Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson Counties. The program goal is to ensure all identified individuals with HIV have access to and are retained in HIV medical systems of care. The additional funding will be used to support outreach and case management services and will not significantly impact performance measures.

The distribution of current Fiscal Year funds is as follows:  
 Ryan White Part A Minority AIDS Initiative award amount: \$242,038  
 Administrative Agency (10% of award): \$24,204  
 Quality Management (5% of award): \$12,102  
 Direct Services: \$205,732

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimized the financial impact to the City.