

AGENDA



Thursday, November 5, 2009

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

Item No. 20

Subject: Approve negotiation and execution of the third-year renewal of the Interlocal Agreement with AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION CENTER, Austin, TX, to provide Community Development Block Grant eligible services to youth and their families in an amount not to exceed \$203,700 from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$814,800.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Office. The Community Development Block Grant period is October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: September 28, 2006, Approval of original Interlocal Agreement; July 23, 2009, Approval of the 2009-2010 Action Plan.

In 2001, the City of Austin, Travis County and the Austin Travis County Mental Health Mental Retardation center (ATCMHMR) entered into an agreement to establish a Youth and Family Assessment Center (YFAC) that provides access to a network of services for eligible clients and their families. On September 28, 2006, Council approved an Interlocal Agreement between the City and ATCMHMR to fund Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) eligible services for youth and families. The agreement was for one year plus three renewals. This action authorizes the third renewal and updates the funding to reflect current available CDBG funds.

The third-year renewal of the agreement provides funding for purchasing services provided through the ATCMHMR Managed Services Organization (MSO) network. The City provides \$203,700 in funding that is designated to pay for CDBG eligible services for youth and families. These services include education and training, assessment/evaluation, counseling/therapy, community supports (i.e. respite care, childcare, employment services, etc.) and enrichment services (after school programs, educational camps etc.)

Under a separate agreement, Travis County pays for MSO fees and non-CDBG eligible services. The MSO provides fiscal oversight and quality assurance for the youth and family services network established under this agreement.

PERFORMANCE

Related Departmental Goals: Prevention/Provision: Social Services- Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.

Output Measures

Total number of unduplicated families served that meet CDBG eligibility requirements -- 85

Total number of youth enrolled that will receive an initial assessment -- 47