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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	7757	Agenda Number	26.
Meeting Date:	7/28/2011		Department:	Health and Human Services
Subject				
<p>Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and TRAVIS COUNTY regarding funding and certain services for the Summer Youth Employment Program to provide a one-time funding increase in an amount not to exceed \$56,250, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$618,804 through September 30, 2011, with one 12-month renewal through September 30, 2012 in an amount not to exceed \$562,554, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,181,358. Related to Items # 24 and 27.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$355,027 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget for the Health and Human Services Department. Funding in the amount of \$46,223 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget for the Human Resources Department. Funding in the amount of \$217,554 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department from Travis County. Funding for agreement renewal options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:	<p>April 7, 2011 - Authorized negotiation and execution of the current Interlocal Cooperation Agreement April 7, 2011. June 23, 2011 - Approved staff recommendation for increased services to at-risk youth.</p>			
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Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				

The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides job readiness training and summer employment for youth ages 14-17, in collaboration with public sector employers and community-based organizations. The purpose of the program, which is operated by Travis County, is to provide opportunities for youth development through meaningful work experiences that promote economic self-sufficiency, good citizenship and healthy lifestyles, with special emphasis on high-risk youth and youth with disabilities. Youth are trained in career exploration job readiness skills, conflict resolution, personal health, environmental awareness, and other employment related issues.

In Fiscal Year 2003-2004, Travis County began providing the staff and funding for administration of this program. The City provides funding as well as in-kind support by processing the job applications and payments to youth participants through the City payroll system.

On June 23, 2011 City Council approved a resolution directing the City Manager to allocate funds for Youth Services as recommended by staff based on feedback received from the Early Childhood Council, the Hispanic/Latino Community Oversight Team, and the African-American Resource Advisory Commission.

The current Interlocal Agreement with TRAVIS COUNTY will be increased with one time City Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) funding of \$56,250, for a total City funding of \$401,250. With this one-time funding increase, SYEP program will support the delivery of work based learning program to hire 75 additional youth. This is one time funding being provided by the action of the Council Resolution, June 23, 2011, to increase services to at risk youth.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Related Goals:

Prevention/Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, health behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations.

Number of youth provided job readiness training: 900

Number of youth placed in summer jobs: previous goal 750 new goal: 825

Number of Youth with Disabilities placed in employment: 115