

Recommendation for Board Action

Austin Housing Finance Corporation		Item ID	8104		Agenda Number		5.
Meeting Date:	te: 9/22/2011			Department:		Neighborhood and Community Development	

Subject

Authorize the negotiation and execution of a one-year contract with the Austin Area Urban League in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 to administer the Emergency Home Repair program.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Austin Housing Finance Corporation. Funding is contingent upon available funding provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing	
Language:	
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Contact Elizabeth A. Spencer, Treasurer, 974-3182.
Information:	Contact Elizabeth A. Spericer, Treasurer, 974-3162.
Boards and	September 23, 2010 - the Board approved a contract for \$1,000,000 with no extension options
Commission	for a total contract not to exceed \$1,000,000.
Action:	101 a total contract not to exceed \$1,000,000.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Austin Area Urban League's services include responding to client requests for repairs, verifying client eligibility, developing specifications for repairs, facilitating repairs, using licensed contractors and other skilled tradespersons, and providing quality assurance for the work performed.

The Emergency Home Repair (EHR) program provides emergency and critical repairs to owner-occupied homes located in the City of Austin. The program addresses potentially life-threatening health and safety issues and helps preserve existing housing stock. The contract term shall be for one year, beginning on October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012.

The homeowners assisted by this program must reside in the home, and their total household incomes cannot exceed 80 percent of the Median Family Income (MFI: currently \$59,050 for a family of four) for the Austin area as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

A total of up to 475 unduplicated households will be served. The assistance provided by this program is in the form of a grant to the homeowner.

The cost of repairing any home under this program shall not exceed \$5,000 in a fiscal year. The \$5,000 limit per home per fiscal year includes all types of repairs provided under the EHR program. Per HUD requirements, homes located in the flood plain cannot be assisted through this program unless the homeowner provides proof of current flood insurance.