

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 12149 Agenda Number 14.

Meeting Date: 1/26/2012 Department: Health and Human Services

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to an Interlocal Agreement with the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES to increase the contract amount by \$200,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$400,000 for purchasing human immunodeficiency virus medication for eligible clients under the City's Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Project grant, for a seven-month term from August 1, 2011 through February 29, 2012

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) Special Revenue Fund, Ryan White Part A HIV Emergency Relief Services grant. The grant period is March 1, 2011 to February 29, 2012.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	July 28, 2011, Council approved the initial Ryan White Part A-Interlocal Agreement with Texas Department of State Health Services.
For More Information:	Vince Cobalis, Assistant Director for HHSD Community Services, 972-5011; Greg Bolds, Manager, HIV Resources Administration 972-5081; Chris Crookham, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5010.
Boards and Commission Action:	On September 25, 2010 the Austin Area Comprehensive HIV Planning Council approved fiscal year 2011 service category allocations.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	
Additional Backup Information	

This proposed amendment with Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is to increase the preceding authorization of \$200,000 by an additional \$200,000 for a total contract amount of \$400,000. The cost of providing HIV medications increases each year and the additional medications purchased through this agreement counteracts DSHS rising cost and demand of HIV medications for the growing number of HIV clients. DSHS will provide eligible clients residing in the Austin Transitional Grant Area (TGA) which is comprised of Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson counties with approved formulary medications supplied by the Texas ADAP program.

The grantor is the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), an Agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). HRSA has authorized specific HIV service categories for allocation of Part A funds. One of these HRSA-defined categories is the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP), a State-administered program authorized under Part B of the Ryan White Grant Program that provides Federal Drug Administration (FDA)-approved medications to low-income individuals with HIV disease who have limited or no coverage from private insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare. The Ryan White HIV Planning Council has allocated funds to this service category.

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

HHSD Related Departmental Goal: Promotion/Prevention/Protection: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations.

OUTPUT MEASURE:

Under this agreement, HHSD estimates that the Texas Department of State Health Services' AIDS Drug Assistance Program will supply an additional 460 prescriptions for a total of approximately 920 prescriptions of HIV medications at an average cost of \$434 per prescription for eligible clients residing in the Austin TGA.