

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 16086 Agenda Number 30.

Meeting Date: 6/28/2012 Department: Health and Human Services

<u>S</u>ubject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN HealthPoint Wellness Program that will assist the Health and Human Services Department in fulfilling the Community Transformation Grant federal initiative to implement evidence-based community, systems, environmental, programmatic, and infrastructure changes through a Farm-to-Work program for full- and part-time employees at the UT-Austin campus, for a three-month period beginning July 1, 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, with two annual options to renew, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 per annual renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$130,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$30,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund for the Health and Human Services Department. The grant period is September 30, 2011 through September 29, 2012. Funding for the renewal options is dependent on future budgets.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Council approved an ordinance accepting \$1,026,158 in grant funds, December 8, 2011.
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	
Additional Dealers Information	

Additional Backup Information

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is allocating federal funds to the City's Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act 2010, Public Prevention Health Fund: Community Transformation Grant (CTG). The City has been awarded \$1,026,158 for the Year 1 budget of a 5-year grant program. Funding for Years 2-5 is dependent on the federal budget continuing the prevention-funding program of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the annual budget submitted by HHSD.

HHSD will utilize the funds to implement the grantor-required strategies to create healthier communities by supporting implementation of interventions in the following strategic areas:

Tobacco-free living

Active living and healthy eating

High impact evidence-based clinical and other preventive services

Healthy and safe physical environment

The approved Community Transformation Implementation Plan (CTIP) addresses the needs of Austin/Travis County with special focus on the populations that experience health disparities. The plan is categorized across multiple sectors addressing where people work, play, learn, live, and access social services. These categories are Community, School, Worksite, Healthcare, Media, and Disparities.

UT-Austin *Health*Point Wellness program will initiate a Farm-to-Work (FTM) program available to 22,000 UT-Austin part- and full-time employees. Approximately 4,140 staff members live in the zip codes highlighted by the City of Austin characterized as having disproportionately high rates of chronic disease and risk factors. The program will rely on the multidisciplinary FTM Committee, which meets on a weekly basis, to create the model program during the first three-month term. In addition to creating a model and implementing a FTW program, outreach and sustainability are a part of the overall plan design.

PERFORMANCE

HHSD Related Department Goal: Promote a healthy community by preventing chronic and communicable diseases and promoting improvement in social/economic/environmental factors that will result in an improved overall health status and a reduction of health disparities.

Goal statements and associated milestones are still being negotiated; however, a sampling of activities to be included and measured is:

Farm-to-Work Program

- Collaborate with Sustainable Food Center, a local nonprofit, to implement the FTW program.
- Work with UT Parking and Transportation regarding earmarking suitable drop-off sites and times
- Promotional materials in English and Spanish will be designed and disseminated on campus
- Incentives for participation will be used

Chronic disease prevention and control health messaging

- Collaborate with student, faculty, and staff organizations to develop strategies promoting chronic disease prevention and control health messaging
- Work with UT School of Public Health, Austin Regional Campus to develop messages to be used in outreach items
- Design and disseminate items such as flyers, emails, social media messages, and newsletters to promote chronic disease prevention and control health messages

Increase consumption of healthy foods and beverages on campus strategies

 Collaborate with student, faculty, and staff organizations to develop strategies to increase consumption of healthy foods and beverages on campus