

This agreement for sustainment funding creates a mechanism by which the Partner Agencies fund the continued operations of the Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC).

The ARIC is a collaborative effort of ten Public Safety Agencies in Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties. ARIC Partner Agencies work together to provide resources, expertise, and information to the center. ARIC focuses on regional public safety data analysis. The mission of ARIC is to maximize the ability to detect, prevent, apprehend, and respond to criminal and terrorist activity.

During the summer and fall of 2010, each of the ARIC Partner Agencies' governing bodies approved an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement that established and outlined the intent of the Partner Agencies to centralize efforts and colocate (Original ARIC Agreement). Further, the Original ARIC Agreement established a framework for the organization of the ARIC. The Original ARIC Agreement set out a common understanding of the policies and procedures that the ARIC currently follows in providing criminal intelligence and coordination of law enforcement service to the citizens in the Austin-Round Rock metropolitan area.

The Original ARIC Agreement assigns the primary responsibility for the operation of the ARIC to the Austin Police Department (APD). Further, the Original ARIC Agreement assigns the City of Austin as the Fiscal Agent for grants provided in support of ARIC, and requires that it provide office space, equipment, and supplies in order to carry out the administrative operation of ARIC. This new agreement for sustainment funding recognizes and continues those assignments of duties. Further, this agreement for sustainment funding does not supersede or otherwise change or alter the terms of the Original ARIC Agreement. Once signed by all parties and in effect, the initial term of this Agreement and each extension will terminate on the same date as the initial term and extensions of original ARIC Agreement.