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## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	20320	Agenda Number	42.
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Meeting Date:	12/6/2012	Department:	Austin Police Department
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## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and the University of Texas at Austin in the amount of \$300,000 to cover the costs of research and evaluation for the City of Austin Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program over the 3-year grant period.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$300,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance through the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program. No match is required.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	This interlocal is part of the \$1,000,000 grant voted on by Council at the November 1, 2012 meeting.
For More Information:	Brian Manley, Assistant Chief   974-5030
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

This action will authorize the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the University of Texas at Austin for services in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 to cover the costs of research and evaluation for the City of Austin Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program over the 3-year grant period. Funding in the amount of \$300,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance through the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program.

Under this agreement, the Austin Police Department agrees to reimburse the University of Texas at Austin for services in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, including fees and expenses. This agreement is effective on the date the agreement is signed by the last of the parties ("Effective Date"). This agreement shall terminate on December 31, 2015. The Performing Party will have the option to renew this agreement for an additional one (1) year term.

Under the agreement Dr. David Kirk, University of Texas, will be primarily responsible for leading the evaluation of the City of Austin BCJI Program, as well as assisting in the analysis of crime drivers in the research site (the Rundberg

neighborhood). He will also lead the development of baseline and follow-up surveys of neighborhood residents and institutions, and provide oversight over survey administration. For the evaluation component, Kirk will conduct all statistical analyses, including the selection of comparison sites. He will be responsible for analyzing survey data and for developing all project reports based on the evaluation. Given his expertise in neighborhood crime prevention, Kirk will also assist in all phases of project planning. One or more research assistants will assist with the analysis of crime drivers in Rundberg, and with the development of the project surveys. He will be responsible for coordinating data requests, and cleaning all data files to be used for the evaluation. He will also be responsible for cleaning the survey data, and developing measures from individual survey items. Dr. Kirk will identify and confirm data needs, sources of data, and solidify data collection plans with assistance from the APD Grants Coordinator. The City and other Rundberg Revitalization Team partners with relevant programmatic information will provide Dr. Kirk with properly formatted data, adhering to predetermined monthly schedule. The success of the City of Austin BCJI Program will be assessed using both federal and local performance measures. Dr. Kirk will review and analyze all available data sets to develop quarterly reports and a comprehensive evaluation, which will guide project staff in using the data to improve program offerings and ensure the success of activities. Dr. Kirk will meet regularly with the Rundberg Revitalization Team to provide updates and receive progress reports.