

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 14, 2017 Item Number: 027

Police

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal grant sub award agreement with the University of Texas at Austin in the amount of \$148,000 for the City of Austin Community Based Crime Reduction Program.

Lead Department	Austin Police Department
Fiscal Note	There is no fiscal impact.
Prior Council Action	September 13, 2017
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Additional Backup Information:

Under this sub award agreement, the Austin Police Department will agree to reimburse the University of Texas at Austin for services in an amount not to exceed \$148,000, including fees and expenses. Dr. David Springer, University of Texas Principal Investigator, will be primarily responsible for leading the evaluation of the City of Austin Community Based Crime Reduction (CBCR) Program, as well as assisting in the analysis of crime drivers in the research site. 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, Springer will conduct statistical analyses, including the selection of comparison sites. One or more students will assist with research activities, to include coordinating data requests, cleaning all data files, and developing measures from individual survey

items. Dr. Springer, in coordination with Measure Austin and the APD Grants Manager, will identify and confirm data needs, sources of data, and solidify data collection plans. The success of the City of Austin CBCR Program will be assessed using both federal and local performance measures. Dr. Springer and his staff will meet regularly with key project personnel and community members, produce quarterly reports, and respond to records requests in coordination with project partners. The University will assist with all aspects of planning and implementation for the duration of the grant period.

Funding in the amount of \$148,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, and Bureau of Justice Assistance through the Community Based Crime Reduction Program for the three-year grant period. The sub award agreement will have a 33-month term, terminating on September 30, 2020. The sub award agreement may be renewed for an additional one-year term at the option of the parties.