

Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting: November 29, 2018

Item Number: 015

Public Health

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$365,955 in additional grant funds from the Department of State Health Services, Bureau of HIV and Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention Program for the HIV Prevention grant program and amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20180911-001) to appropriate \$365,955 for Communicable Disease services.

Lead Department	Austin Public Health.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$1,099,955 is available from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS). The grant period is January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.
For More Information	Stephanie Hayden, Director, Austin Public Health, 972-5010; Dr. Philip Huang, Austin Public Health Medical Director, 972-5408; Saeed Azadi, Public Health Division Manager, 972-5413; Estella Kirscht, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5039.

Additional Backup Information:

The purpose of the HIV Prevention Grant is to prevent the transmission of HIV and reduce the number of new HIV infections; identify HIV positive cases that are unaware of their HIV status; reduce associated morbidity and mortality among HIV-infected persons and their partners by assuring referral to medical, social, and prevention services.

Austin Public Health was granted an additional \$365,955 for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 because the Texas Department of State Health Services is adding six months to the grant term; amending the current grant term January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 to January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The additional funding brings the total grant award to \$1,099,955 and will allow the HIV Prevention Targeted Testing Program to continue providing quality care, customer service, and training for HIV staff.

The General Fund does not contribute to this grant.