



Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission

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CORE PURPOSE

- PROMOTE COMMUNITY-WIDE WELLNESS, PREPAREDNESS, AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY
- PREVENT ILLNESS, INJURY, AND DISEASE
- PROTECT THE COMMUNITY FROM
 - INFECTIOUS DISEASES
 - ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS, AND
 - EPIDEMICS

Commission Recommendation

- Mental health outreach, education, and service campaign targeted to the Asian Pacific Islander (API) community in the City of Austin. Focused on:
 - reducing the stigma of mental health issues
 - identifying mental health issues,
 - collecting data about mental health issues within the API community and the need for mental health services, and
 - connecting people to mental health support systems. This budget recommendation seeks to
- Expand the capacity of existing Austin Public Health (APH) outreach/education contracts to target the API community.
- Expand the capacity to provide services such as direct mental health services to the API community and telehealth services in Asian languages

Overview of Funding, Timeline & Requirements

- Amount - \$100,000
- Anticipated Number of Awards – 1
- Target Start Date - April 1, 2020
- Contract period and extensions
 - Contingent on Council approval during budget processes
- Community-based organizations including social services providers are eligible to apply

Timeline

Dates	Activities
December 19, 2019	Notification of Upcoming Funding Opportunity
January 6, 2020	Release of Request for Grant Application
January 9, 2020	Optional Pre-Bid Meeting
January 15, 2020 by 4:59pm	Threshold Requirements due
January 17, 2020	Notification to Apply
January 6 – January 22, 2020	Question and Answer Period
February 6, 2020 by 12:59pm	Applications due
March 25, 2020	Council Approval of Highest Scoring Applicant

Eligible Services & Strategies

SERVICES

Mental Health Services

Case Management

Outreach

Education

STRATEGIES

Use of telecounseling

Culturally and linguistically appropriate materials

Diverse staff reflective of target population

Screening for social determinants of health

Agencies offer evening hours

Non-traditional settings

Community based programs

Strengthen environments for social support

Successful Applicants

- Must have at least 2 years successful experience providing services to the Asian Pacific Islander communities.
- May propose to expand existing mental health services or augment current services to offer mental health services.
- May provide services as one agency or through a collaboration (one agency must be designated as the lead Applicant)

Comparing Threshold Requirements

Requirements	Request for Application	Request for Grant Application
Agency does not owe past due taxes to the City	X	X
Agency has submitted all applicable tax returns to the IRS and the State of Texas w/ IRS 990 as documentation	X	X
Agency is current in its payment of Federal and State payroll taxes	X	X
Agency is eligible to contract and not debarred from contracting, according to SAM.gov and City Debarment information	X	X
The Board meets regularly (at least four times a year)	X	X
Board members have specific terms w/ beginning and end dates	X	X
Board minutes reflect the Board annually approves the budget / with documentation	X	X
Board members receive no material compensation for their service.	X	X

Comparing Threshold Requirements

Requirements	Request for Application	Request for Grant Application
Board minutes reflect the Board reviews program performance and financial performance at least twice annually/ with documentation	X	X
Board must have composition, size, terms, and other functions that are in compliance with the Agency's bylaws /with documentation	X	X
Board minutes reflect the Board approves audit reports	X	
Agency has received an unqualified and/or unmodified audit opinion for the two most recent consecutive audit years.	X	
Audit does not reflect going concern uncertainty for the two most recent consecutive audit years.	X	
No material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in financial management and/or internal control were cited in the two most recent audit or management letters.	X	



Thank you!

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