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CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the 78744 Youth of Promise Initiative Community Youth Development Program (CYD) in an amount not to exceed \$103,466 for the agreement period of September 1, 2004 through August 31, 2005, with three (3) renewal options in amounts not to exceed \$103,466 per renewal for a total agreement not to exceed \$413,864.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$103,466 is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD), Special Revenue Fund. The grant period is September 1, 2004 through August 31, 2005. Funding for extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Health and Human
DEPARTMENT: Services

**DIRECTOR'S
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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: N/A

Background

The 78744 Youth of Promise Initiative CYD Program, formerly known as Southeast Austin Community Youth Development (SEACYD), have been funded since 1996, by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS). The goal of the program is to prevent juvenile crime through positive development activities in the Southeast Austin 78744 zip code area.

A Request for Applications (RFA) was issued on March 21st and 28th, 2004. There were seventeen (17) applications covering four funding priorities in response to the RFA, all submitted by the designated due date and time. The recommended awards are as follows:

<u>Funding Priority</u>	<u>Amount Allocated</u>	<u>Awards</u>	
Crime Prevention/ Counseling	\$ 136,900.00	Communities in Schools	\$87,589.00
		AISD	49,311.00
Education/Employment	\$ 80,790.00	AISD	54,155.00
		American YouthWorks	26,635.00
Recreation/Social Skills/ Family	\$ 61,110.00	Girls Scouts	42,745.00
		PARC	18,365.00



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Youth Leadership/ Youth Advisory Coordination*	\$ 23,034.00	HHSD	23,034.00*
TOTAL	\$ 301,834.00		\$301,834.00

*This category is required by the grant. Because there were no applicants, HHSD will fulfill this requirement internally.

The contracts with Communities In Schools (CIS)-Central Texas, Inc. and Austin Independent School District (AISD) require City Council approval. The other contracts will be awarded administratively. Since no applications were received for the Youth Advisory Coordination, this required activity will continue to be accomplished by HHSD as done in FY2003. The grantor has approved this overall service delivery plan.

HHSD will fund AISD in the amount of \$103,466. These funds will be used to support the following two (2) 78744 Youth of Promise Initiative CYD programs:

Education Program (\$54,155) - This initiative will provide summer reading and math camps for elementary school students who reside in the 78744 zip code and/or attend either Houston, Langford, Palm, Rodriguez or Widen Elementary Schools. Curriculum will be based on the McGraw Hill Math Enrichment kit and materials from Pentathlon math games. These programs are designed to broaden the student's critical thinking and problem solving skills, and to prepare students for the TEKS test. Students will also participate in relevant study trips.

Crime Prevention Program (\$49,311) - This program will work to reduce risky behaviors in teens who attend Mendez Middle School by providing high quality, after school intervention programs. AISD has a long history of providing intervention services for young teens during the day but this after-school intervention program will be new to both AISD and Mendez Middle School. Services include: After-school and summer youth leadership, peer mediation, extreme games, and community services classes. Mentoring program, parenting classes and Mendez Family Mending (an alternative to school removal) will also be provided in an effort to reduce juvenile delinquency.

Performance Measures:

Related Goals:

Prevention/Provision: Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors and lifestyle among targeted populations

Output

- Total number of participants in summer and after school programs (unduplicated) 75
- Number of students participating in project based activities (learning with real world application) 50
- Number of students matched with mentors 15



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- Number of parents participating in parenting classes 25
- Number of parents participating in Mendez Family Mending 10

Outcome

- Percent of project-based participants who will show a 15% increase in attendance 80%
- Percent of participants who will report better relationships with peers and adults 75%
- Percent of mentored youth (minimum 2 hours/month) who will demonstrate a decrease in criminal behavior and an increase in academic achievement and social skills 85%
- Percent of participants' parents and students who will meet the requirements for their students to stay at school and not be removed to an alternative learning center 80%

Requested Council Action

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