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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	28496	Agenda Number	2.
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Meeting Date:	11/21/2013	Department:	Animal Services Office
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Subject

Approve an ordinance authorizing acceptance of \$1,170,000 in grant funds from the DUFFIELD FAMILY FOUNDATION; and amending the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Animal Services Office Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20130909-001) to appropriate \$1,170,000 for the enhancement of existing programs to sustain the City's No-Kill goal.

Amount and Source of Funding

The total amount of \$1,170,000 will be provided by Maddie's Fund Lifesaving Award Program. No City match is required.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget, September 10, 2013.
For More Information:	Abigail Smith, Chief Animal Service Officer, 512-978-0536
Boards and Commission Action:	The Animal Advisory Commission voted unanimously at the October 9, 2013 regular meeting to recommend council approve acceptance of the grant funds.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

On May 20, 2013, the Animal Services Office (ASO), in partnership with the Austin Humane Society and Austin Pets Alive! (Austin Coalition), submitted an application to the Duffield Family Foundation, commonly known as Maddie's Fund, for the Maddie's Fund Lifesaving Award (Award). The Austin Coalition has been selected to receive the Award and each member will share a portion of the total grant amount of \$3,000,000. On October 4, 2013, ASO received a grant confirmation letter approving the City's portion of the grant in the amount of \$1,170,000.

The Award was established to recognize communities that are leading the way in saving the lives of animals. The Award is designed to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by community coalitions consisting of traditional shelters, adoption guarantee organizations, and animal control agencies where all groups have implemented an adoption guarantee program for all healthy and treatable shelter pets in their community and are likely to sustain it in the future. The Austin Coalition has achieved a No-Kill status for at least two years and will continue to sustain

Austin as a No-Kill community. ASO will use the funds to build capacity in sheltering and adoption placement programs in order to serve Austin's growing population.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute to this grant.