

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 60804 Agenda Number 40.

Meeting Date: 8/18/2016 Department: Health and Human Services

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of second amendments to contracts with two service providers for juvenile delinquency prevention services extending the contract term through May 31, 2017 for MEXIC-ARTE MUSEUM in an amount not to exceed \$74,985, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$140,970; and THEATRE ACTION PROJECT dba CREATIVE ACTION in an amount not to exceed \$78,347, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$156,693.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$153,332 will be available in the proposed Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department Special Revenue Fund, from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), Community Youth Development Program (CYD). The contract period is September 1, 2015 through May 31, 2017.

Fiscal Note		
A fiscal note is not required.		
Purchasing Language:		
Prior Council Action:	On September 10, 2015, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget, Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20150910-001. On October 15, 2015, Council approved execution of two 12-month contracts with MEXIC-ARTE MUSEUM and THEATRE ACTION PROJECT dba CREATIVE ACTION.	
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:		
MBE / WBE:		
Related Items:		

Additional Backup Information

On June 23, 2016 the City of Austin Health and Human Services Department was notified by The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS) that the current contract will be amended from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016 to September 1, 2015 through May 31, 2017, and grant funds will be increased by \$362,358. TDFPS has funded the 78744 Dove Springs Community Youth Development (CYD) Program, formerly known as Southeast Austin Community Youth Development, since 1996. The goal of the initiative is to prevent juvenile delinquency through the provision of community based prevention and remediation programs in the Dove Springs 78744 zip code area. In 2014, the Austin Police Department listed the 78744 area as having the third highest rate of juvenile crime citywide and TDFPS selected the 78744 zip code as one of the top 15 statewide areas with high levels of juvenile crime needing assistance. TDFPS is the funding source for CYD and the program is restricted to serve only the 78744 area. Funding and Council approval are time sensitive and may potentially affect the program and youth served.

In the last five years, CYD has annually served over 1000 unduplicated youth in the 6-17 year age-range prescribed by TDFPS, with a 100% outcome measure of no referrals of youth to the juvenile justice system. CYD has also had over a 90% satisfaction rate from the youth served over the last five years.

Grant Goal Priority Categories are for community-based programs for youth who live in, and/or attend school, in the 78744 zip code area, in particular at-risk, disconnected youth. In accordance with the grant, the 2014-2015 Needs Assessment, and approval by the 78744 Dove Springs Community Collaborative Committee, the recommended programs and services are eligible to be funded under the grant.

Approval of this RCA will fund Mexic-Arte Museum to support the delivery of after-school and during-school programs involving artists from the community who will provide the Screen It! art program, which offers youth opportunities to engage in cultural activities and increase their participation in artistic activities.

Theatre Action Project dba Creative Action supports the delivery of after-school and summer programs for middle school students to identify and overcome barriers to their success, and offers interactive programs for elementary students that promote classroom cultures with zero tolerance of bullying, hate, or violence, a Creative Action also provides a summer program of creative arts and education for 5th to 7th grade youth.

Related Department Goal

16,000 youth and young adults engaged in injury prevention, positive youth development, workforce readiness, or juvenile justice prevention programs will be served by the end of Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Output

Number of youth served in the CYD juvenile	600
delinquency prevention programs	

Percent of youth in targeted areas participating in CYD juvenile delinquency prevention programs

Outcomes

Percent of youth in the CYD juvenile delinquency	95%
prevention program not engaging in delinquent behavior	

Percent of youth participating in the CYD program who are satisfied with the service.

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