



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2068, **Agenda Item #:** 53.

5/7/2020

Posting Language

Authorize ratification of an agreement with Goodwill Industries of Central Texas to provide direct relief and direct financial assistance to Austin/Travis County residents impacted by COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$1,255,487 for the term of May 4, 2020 through September 30, 2020.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,255,487 is included in the FY 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund for Relief in a State of Emergency Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief.

Prior Council Action:

April 9, 2020 - Council approved Resolution No. 20200409-081 to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the Relief in a State of Emergency Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief, with a 11-0 vote on the virtual dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize the ratification of an agreement with Goodwill Industries of Central Texas to provide direct relief and direct financial assistance to Austin/Travis County residents impacted by COVID-19. The term for this agreement is May 4, 2020 through September 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$1,255,487 for a total contract amount of \$1,255,487, with no extension options.

On April 9, 2020, City Council approved an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for the Relief in a State of Emergency (RISE) Fund to support COVID-19 emergency relief. On the same day, City Council approved Resolution No. 20200409-081, which authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute new emergency contracts funded from the RISE Fund to offer immediate support services and direct financial assistance to residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and economic crisis.

Goodwill will use the direct relief and direct financial assistance to continue serving people of color, the LGBTQI+ community, immigrant communities, seniors, and historically marginalized individuals, and survivors of domestic violence. Direct relief and direct financial assistance services will include: case management, behavioral health services, mortgage or rental assistance, assistance with utility bills, assistance with medical expenses, and childcare services.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.

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