



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2875, **Agenda Item #:** 34.

9/17/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with five subgrantees for teen pregnancy prevention services for an initial 12-month term through June 30, 2021 with two 12-month renewal options, as follows: Integral Care in an amount not to exceed \$64,057 for the initial term and each of the two renewal options, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$192,171; Nicole Trevino Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$68,605 for the initial term, \$67,614 for the first renewal option, and \$69,258 for the second renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$205,477; SAFE Alliance in an amount not to exceed \$61,327 for the initial term, \$62,398 for the first renewal option, and \$62,729 for the second renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$186,454; The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, School of Public Health in an amount not to exceed \$123,585 for the initial term, \$106,408 for the first renewal option, and \$121,007 for the second renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$351,000; and El Buen Samaritano in an amount not to exceed \$88,802 for the initial term, \$91,446 for the first renewal option, and \$94,184 for the second renewal option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$274,432.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Population Affairs for Optimally Changing the Map for Teen Pregnancy Prevention Tier 1.

Prior Council Action:

July 29, 2020 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20200729-047 amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to accept and appropriate \$837,000 in grant funds from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Population Affairs for Optimally Changing the Map for Teen Pregnancy Prevention Tier 1, approved on a 10-0 vote with Mayor Adler off the dais.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

Additional Backup Information:

This funding will be used to create and support the Del Valle Healthy Adolescent Project (DVHAP), which is a three-component intervention developed by Austin Public Health's Austin Healthy Adolescent (AHA) Program and the DVHAP partner organizations. The organizations that make up the Core DVHAP partners include: AHA, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, School of Public Health (also known as UT Health), SAFE Alliance (also known as SAFE), Integral Care, El Buen Samaritano, Nicole Trevino Consulting, and the Travis County Adolescent Health (also known as TCAH) Collaborative. The project goals include improving the optimal health of adolescents in the Del Valle Independent School District (DVISD) and reducing

teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections through: (1) effective sexual health education; (2) youth, family, and community engagement in systems improvement; and (3) improving the support services system, which includes expanding support services for DVISD youth.

According to the Texas Education Agency 2019 Del Valle High School student profile, 84.9% are Hispanic and/or Latino, 8.9% are African American, 3.8% are White, 1.4% are two or more races and 74.4% are economically disadvantaged. Texas ranked 4th highest out of 50 states and the District of Columbia on final 2016 teen birth rates among females ages 15-19, with a rate of 31 births per 1,000 compared to 20.3 nationally. In Texas, 66% percent of all teen births were to Hispanic females under the age of 20 compared to 36% nationally [U.S. Department of Commerce. (n.d.). U.S. Census Bureau, 2018 5-year American Community Survey B09001 & B01003, Census Tracts: 24.33,24.35,24.36,22.07,24.32 Data set]. Additionally, Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) rates continue to rise throughout the US, where Texas ranks 20th with a rate of 517.6 per 100,000. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (also known as CDC) ranked Austin 56th among the 100 cities in America with the highest STI rates.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment, Economic Opportunity and Affordability.