

Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3265, Agenda Item #: 28.

10/15/2020

Posting Language

Ratify an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. to provide mobile hygiene services to people experiencing homelessness in the Austin/Travis County area to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$287,300 for a term of September 30, 2020 through March 31, 2021, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$287,300.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$287,300 is included in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Austin Public Health Department's Operating Budget.

Prior Council Action:

June 4, 2020 - Council approved Resolution No. 20200604-040 adopting the COVID-19 proposed spending framework for the use of all available federal and local funding that maximizes the benefit of federal COVID-19 relief funding and local funding, with an 11-0 vote on the virtual dais.

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Additional Backup Information:

Approval of this item will authorize Austin Public Health to negotiate and execute an agreement with Family Eldercare, Inc. to provide mobile hygiene services to people experiencing homelessness in the Austin/Travis County area in an amount not to exceed \$287,300 for a term of September 30, 2020 through March 31, 2021, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$287,300.

The Mobile Hygiene Clinic (MHC) delivers essential hygiene services to people experiencing homelessness in Austin/Travis County. The MHCs will be staffed by individuals enrolled in the Workforce First program (also through Family Eldercare with subgrantee The Other Ones Foundation) who are supervised by a member of The Other Ones Foundation's Supportive Employment Specialist staff.

Showers, toilets, and hygiene supplies are provided to promote disease prevention for higher risk individuals experiencing homelessness. The clinic manages current gaps in services and provides a transition away from congregational service delivery to ensure individuals have access to sanitation, thereby reducing the risk of poor hygiene, infection, and disease transmission.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.