

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1386, Agenda Item #: 51.

3/24/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20210811-001) to accept and appropriate \$177,507 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the Integrated HIV Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$177,507 is available from the Texas Department of Health and Human Services and the Center for Disease Control. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

June 11, 2020 - Council approved Resolution No. 20200611-032 for the acceptance of \$669,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the Integrated HIV Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States, on an 11-0 vote.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This funding is provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) via the Texas Department of Health Services for Fiscal Year 2022, that starts August 1, 2021, through July 31, 2022, to support the development and implementation of programs tailored to ending the HIV-epidemic in America.

Recent scientific advances in HIV-prevention and treatment have made ending the HIV-epidemic in America a realistic possibility. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has set an ambitious goal of reducing all new HIV-infections by 75% in five years and by 90% by 2030. Reaching this target requires a coordinated national effort that will focus first on the 50 most affected U.S. jurisdictions, 48 counties, Washington DC, and San Juan PR, as well as seven states.

With funding from the CDC through HHS's the "Integrated HIV Programs for Health Departments to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States" will supplement the "Ending the HIV Epidemic" initiative and will build on the ongoing activities funded through PS18-1802: "Integrated HIV Surveillance and Prevention Programs for Health Departments" to strategically advance HIV-prevention efforts.

This Council item is time sensitive to ensure contracts can be executed for the grant period.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this

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grant. When the grant funds expire, Austin Public Health Department's need for continued funding will be evaluated and may be denied.

Strategic Outcome(s): Health and Environment.