



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 22-2526, **Agenda Item #:** 80.

7/28/2022

### Posting Language

Approve negotiation and execution of an agreement with FUSE Corps to place two executive fellows within the Homeless Strategy Division to support the Division's missions, for a term ending in May 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.

### Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$90,000 is available from the U.S. Department of Treasury, American Rescue Plan Act - State and Local Fiscal Relief Funds.

### For More Information:

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### Additional Backup Information:

This action will authorize negotiation and execution of an agreement with FUSE Corps to place two Executive Fellows within the Homeless Strategy Division.

FUSE Corps is a national nonprofit that pairs Executive Fellows with local governments for one year to advance specific initiatives. The fellows are employees of FUSE Corps, but local governments pay a portion of the fellow's salary. FUSE Corps will contribute 75 percent of the Executive Fellows salary, and the Austin Public Health Department will contribute the remaining 25 percent. A summary of the scope of work for each FUSE Fellow is included below:

- **Scope 1:** The Executive FUSE Fellow will support the Homeless Strategy Division deploy and manage the City's \$3.0 million organizational capacity investments, included as part of the City's American Rescue Plan Act Homelessness Spending Framework, to scale and improve outcomes of the Homelessness Response System. The FUSE Fellow, working in partnership with the Ending Community Homelessness Coalition and other stakeholders in the Homelessness Response System, will also build a city-wide learning community around organizational capacity building.
- **Scope 2:** The Executive FUSE Fellow will support the Homeless Strategy Division to develop a long-term sustainable funding and investment plan for addressing unsheltered homelessness in the City, accounting for the reality that the City's \$106.7 million American Rescue Plan Act investment into homelessness is one-time funding. The Executive Fellow will gain an understanding of the current resource streams and investment priorities of the city, identify lessons learned from the initial procurement and distribution of resources, and identify opportunities to further leverage existing private and public funding streams and tap into new funding streams to support the array of programs within the Homelessness Response System.

### Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.