



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
**METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT**

# **Authorizing Submission for CDC Public Health Associate Program Assignees**

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Agenda Item #

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# Background

- Metro Health is committed to develop the **future workforce** through this partnership with the CDC PHAP.
- CDC has placed 950 PHAPs across U.S. to date since 2007.
- **PHAP Mission** is to “train and provide experiential learning to early career professionals who contribute to the public health workforce.”
- Geared to recent baccalaureate and master’s level **graduates**.





# Background

- Metro Health has been a host site for 9 years; hosting 17 associates total.
- We benefit from hosting these bright, energetic individuals from other areas of the U.S.
- Currently 4 PHAPs work throughout department and assist programs with delivery of services to community.





# Fiscal Impact

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- The CDC's PHAP program provides a salary paid directly to the assignee while they complete their two-year field assignments at the health agency.
- If selected assignment is from October 2018 to September 2020.
- There is no impact on the General Fund.



# Recommendation

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- Staff recommends Council approval.

*“We love this program! We benefit from the associates’ energy and expertise in public health, and in return, provide great opportunities for them to do meaningful work.”*

— Host site supervisor,  
PHAP Class of 2012

