



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
**METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT**

# Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Grant Approval

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# Background

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- African American & Hispanic women are not getting 1<sup>st</sup> trimester prenatal care
- Late care / no care = low birth weight, preterm birth and infant mortality
- The Texas Department of State Health Services invited Metro Health to participate in the Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Program to address infant mortality



# Background



## Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Program:

- Supports coalitions and interventions to reduce preterm births and infant mortality
- Located in Austin, Dallas, Northeast Texas, Tarrant County, Waco and Houston
- Funds one full-time position to coordinate activities
  - Strengthen partnerships and support collective impact in improving birth outcomes and associated racial and ethnic disparities in infant mortality





# Fiscal Impact

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- Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Program
  - Funded by the Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
- Term: December 1, 2017 through August 31, 2022
- Total Multi-Year Funding Amount: \$320,625, with ability to accept up to \$352,688 without going back to Council
- DSHS has increased the award to \$235,000 for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2022, bringing total receipts to \$480,625
- Funds one full-time existing position
- There is no impact to general fund



# Recommendation

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Staff recommends City Council approve additional funding for Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies

