



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT

Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Grant Approval

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Background

- African American & Hispanic women are not getting 1st 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

- 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

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

