



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Human Services

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Melody Woosley

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** City wide

### **SUBJECT:**

Submission and Acceptance of Grant Application for Senior Nutrition Program

### **SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes the submission of a grant to the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) for the Senior Nutrition Program and acceptance of up to \$2,088,000.00 annually in funding for FY 2022 through FY 2023. This item also authorizes a total program budget of \$3,288,000.00 which includes a cash match of \$1,200,000.00 and a personnel complement of 15 positions.

This ordinance also authorizes Memoranda of Agreements with educational and community-based organizations to support program operations. Furthermore, this ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Human Services (DHS) to initiate, negotiate, and execute all necessary documents to effectuate the acceptance of the referenced grant, and to execute contract amendments pertaining to this contract. This ordinance also authorizes the acceptance of additional funding, if awarded, in an amount up to 20% of the total amount awarded to the grant.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Since 1973, through a combination of General Fund and AACOG grant funding, DHS has provided congregate meals to seniors 60 and over living in San Antonio and Bexar County.

Prior to COVID-19 pandemics, the program served approximately 2,500 meals daily, Monday through Friday, at 50 city and partner operated nutrition sites and comprehensive senior centers located throughout the

community. In FY 2021, in response to the pandemic, nearly 3,400 meals were provided daily via curbside pickup and delivery to older adults participating in the program.

### **ISSUE:**

In April 2021, AACOG released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the senior nutrition program for a two-year grant term. RFP submission are due by May 28, 2021.

If awarded, these funds will be used for continued support of the daily congregate meal program at the City's participating sites.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

If approval to submit grant application is not granted, the City will not be eligible to receive AACOG grant funding and funds would be awarded to another community provider. The process of identifying a new contractor to implement services would take a minimum of three months and may delay the provision of services to the senior community.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This ordinance approves submission and acceptance of annual grant applications to AACOG for the Senior Nutrition Program in an amount up to \$2,088,000.00 for the provision of senior services. This grant application provides funding for services over a two-year period - from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023. This item also authorizes a total program budget of \$3,288,000.00 which includes a cash match of \$1,200,000.00 and a personnel complement of 15 positions.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing the submission of the application and acceptance of grant funds from AACOG, the total program budget, personnel complement of 15 positions and authorization to accept supplemental funds up to 20% if awarded.