



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Funding Allocations for Prior Year Unspent Grant Funds and Related Contract Amendments.

SUMMARY:

This Ordinance authorizes the allocation of prior year unused U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) HOPWA grant funding totaling \$279,052.70 for Supportive Services and Housing Support activities to currently funded delegate agencies and related contract amendments. Specifically, this item authorizes allocation of \$53,000 to Alamo Area Resource Center (AARC) to support the Housing Works Program and \$16,875 to support the Transportation Program; \$11,274 to BEAT AIDS to provide support for the Case Management Program; and \$197,903.70 to the San Antonio Aids Foundation (SAAF) to provide \$17,903.70 to the Dining Program, \$100,000 to the Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program, \$45,000 to the Operations Program, and \$35,000 to the Transitional Housing Program through the period October 1, 2014-September 30, 2015.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The HOPWA program provides funding to support housing assistance and related supportive services for low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. HOPWA funds may be used for supportive services and housing support.

On May 5, 2014, City Council adopted, through Ordinance 2014-05-29-0362, the HOPWA entitlement grant in a total amount of \$1,212,217 for FY 2014-2015 as part of the City's HUD Consolidated Annual Action Plan. Through the FY 15 and FY 16 Human and Workforce Development Services Consolidated Funding process, DHS provided HOPWA funding recommendations for AARC, BEAT AIDS, and SAAF. On September 18, 2014, the City Council approved Ordinance 2014-09-18-0690 which allocated HOPWA funding to AARC in the amount of \$174,151 to support the Transportation program and \$120,222 to support the Housing Works Program; \$47,500 to BEAT AIDS to support the Case Management Program; and \$95,900 to SAAF to support

the Dining Program, \$315,163 to support the Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program, \$291,962 to support the Operations Program, and \$130,915 to support the Transitional Housing Program.

ISSUE:

DHS is requesting the allocation of \$279,052.70 in HOPWA funding for Supportive Services and Housing Support for currently funded HOPWA Programs. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has authorized the City's use of previously unspent 1999 - 2013 HOPWA grant funding.

Of the \$279,052.70 in available funding, it is proposed that \$53,000 be allocated to AARC to provide support for the Housing Works Program for Housing Support and \$16,875 for the Transportation Program. BEAT AIDS will be allocated an additional \$11,274 to provide support for the Case Management Program. SAAF will be allocated additional funds totaling \$197,903.70 as follows: \$17,903.70 to support the Dining program, \$100,000 to support the TBRA program, \$45,000 to support the Operations program, and \$35,000 to support the Transitional Housing. Funds must be expended by September 30, 2015.

The table below illustrates the FY 15 awards allocated through the Human and Workforce Development Services Consolidated Funding process. The additional funding proposed for reallocation is proportionally allocated based on the initial awards.

Agency	FY 15 Adopted	FY 15 Amendment	Total
Alamo Area Resource Center	\$294,373	\$69,875	\$364,248
BEAT AIDS	\$47,500	\$11,274	\$58,774
San Antonio Aids Foundation	\$833,940	\$197,903.70	\$1,031,843.70
Total	\$1,175,813	\$279,052.70	\$1,454,865.27

ALTERNATIVES:

Grant funds could be allocated to other HOPWA eligible projects or DHS could issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit proposals for new programs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Through this action, HOPWA Program Years (PY) 1999-2013 funds totaling \$279,052.70 are proposed to be allocated to AARC, BEAT AIDS, and SAAF. These additional allocations will not have an impact on the City's General fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council authorize the allocation of \$279,052.70 in HOPWA funds to HOPWA delegate agencies for supportive services and housing support activities.