

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Acceptance of Supplemental Senior Nutrition Program Funding

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of supplemental funds in the amount of \$301,698.00 awarded by Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) and approves a budget revision for the FY 2015 Senior Nutrition Program for the provision of congregate meals for seniors residing in the Bexar County Area Agency on Aging service area for the period October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City's Senior Nutrition Program (SNP) provides seniors, ages 60 and older, with a meal and nutritional information in a congregate setting at 63 centers. The Department of Human Services (DHS) operates the program using General and federal Funds from the U.S. Department of Health and human Services (HHS) awarded through grants from the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services through AACOG. The City has received Federal Funds from AACOG since 1973.

The program serves approximately 2,900 meals daily, Monday through Friday, at the City's Senior Center sites located throughout the community. Authorization of this ordinance will allow Federal Funds to support an additional 48,977 meals for seniors residing in the Bexar County Area Agency on Aging service area.

The overall SNP budget, including funds proposed to be accepted in this ordinance, is \$5,932,799.00 of which 39% is funded through the SNP grant and 61% through General Fund.

ISSUE:

Acceptance of the AACOG funds for Senior Nutrition is consistent with City Council's direction to accept funding to enhance services for residents of the City of San Antonio and Bexar County.

In the fourth quarter of the fiscal year, additional funding became available to AACOG through the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services for the congregate meal programs. Consistent with prior program year history, AACOG has offered supplemental funds this quarter to the City of San Antonio for program operations. Acceptance of additional funding will increase the total amount of funds AACOG has committed to the City for congregate meal services to \$2,269,288.00.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should supplemental funding not be accepted, the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) would need to identify another agency to provide the additional congregate meals to the community or return the funds to the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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Through Ordinance 2014-11-13-0912, the City authorized a total Senior Nutrition Program budget of \$5,631,101.00. This budget included \$1,967,590.00 from AACOG, and an appropriation of \$3,517,616.00 from the FY 2015 General Fund Budget to be used for the program and to meet the required 10% grant match; \$65,000.00 in client donations, and an appropriation of \$80,895.00 redirected from the Supportive Services for the Elderly Program for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

The addition of \$301,698.00 in supplemental funding would increase the Senior Nutrition Program total budget to \$5,932,799.00.

Acceptance of additional funding will not impact the General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends acceptance of supplemental funding and approval of a budget revision for the FY 2015 Senior Nutrition Program for the period October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015.