

City of San Antonio



AGENDA

City Council A Session

Municipal Plaza Building
114 W. Commerce Street
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Thursday, June 6, 2024

9:00 AM

Municipal Plaza Building

The City Council will hold its regular meeting in the Norma S. Rodriguez Council Chamber in the Municipal Plaza Building beginning at the above referenced date and time for the following items. Once convened, the City Council will take up the following items in any order during the meeting but no sooner than the designated times.

9:00AM: Call to Order

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2024-06-06-0401

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance upon award of up to \$40,000 from the Annie E. Casey Foundation and International Rescue Committee for the Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance Grant for the term April 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025 to support the educational and career outcomes of immigrant youth.
[Lori Houston, Assistant City Manager; Melody Woosley, Director, Human Services]

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY RECESS FOR LUNCH AND RECONVENE TO CONSIDER ANY UNFINISHED COUNCIL BUSINESS

6:00 P.M. – If the Council has not yet adjourned, the presiding officer shall entertain a motion to continue the council meeting, postpone the remaining items to the next council meeting date, or recess and reconvene the meeting at a specified time on the following day.

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City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

File Number:

Agenda Item Number: 26

Agenda Date: June 6, 2024

In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of funds upon award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation – International Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult (YYA) Education and Career Technical Assistance grant.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of funds upon award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation – International Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance grant in the amount of up to \$40,000.00 to support the education and career outcomes of immigrant youth and young adults. DHS will utilize grant funds to continue building a coalition of partners who will work to develop professional development modules for staff, specifically to address the unique needs of youth and young adults, ages 16-24, who have resettled into San Antonio with an added focus on youth from Afghanistan, Syria and other Middle Eastern countries.

Furthermore, this ordinance authorizes the Director of Human Services to initiate, negotiate, and execute any and all necessary documents including a grant contract, and contract amendments; a) carryover funds; b) line item budget revisions; c) modifications to the performance measures so long as the terms of the amendment stay within the general parameters of the intent of the grant;

and d) the acceptance of additional funding, if awarded, in an amount up to 20% of the total amount awarded to the grant. The project period will begin April 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) conducted a site visit to the NXT Level Youth Opportunity Center in November 2023 to better understand how the center was supporting immigrant youth in improving their educational and career outcomes. At that time, NXT Level had just begun receiving participants who had recently resettled in San Antonio from Afghanistan and Syria. Staff discussed the need for additional training on cultural awareness, language support and better understanding of the legal requirements associated with the U.S. State Department's resettlement program.

In March 2024, NXT Level was invited to apply for funding from the Annie E. Casey Foundation to receive technical assistance support by IRC, which is a nonprofit organization serving people undergoing humanitarian crises in 50 countries. The IRC is a leading expert on issues impacting refugee, asylees and immigrants world-wide. The Department of Human Services (DHS) submitted an application on March 14, 2024 and was notified of award in April 2024.

DHS will utilize grant funds to continue building a coalition of partners who will work to develop professional development modules for staff, specifically to address the unique needs of youth and young adults, ages 16-24, who have resettled into San Antonio with an added focus on youth from Afghanistan, Syria and other Middle Eastern countries. The modules will help staff build out pathways for youth to successfully complete educational goals and improve employment outcomes. Project goals also include the development of an audit protocol to examine an agency's processes and procedures to ensure immigrant youth feel welcome and supported while receiving services. The audit is anticipated to be an easy-to-use free resource that will be made available to all San Antonio-area nonprofits and organizations.

ISSUE:

The DHS NXT Level grant application included a coalition of nonprofits it currently works with to better support youth's education and career outcomes. Communities in Schools, Goodwill Industries, Family Services, Northside ISD, Culturingua, and Workforce Solutions Alamo agreed to join in the technical assistance opportunity.

In April 2024, the IRC informed DHS NXT Level that it was one of six organizations nationwide to be selected to receive up to \$30,000.00 to support participation in receiving in-depth, individualized technical assistance, funding to cover the costs of a two-day workshop, and was also one of three proposals to be awarded an additional \$10,000.00 to implement a pilot project to better serve immigrant youth and young adults. The grant term is April 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

ALTERNATIVES:

If this ordinance is not approved, the City will need to find an alternative funding source to support to support the education and career outcomes of immigrant youth and young adults, or not expand the program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of funds upon award from the Annie E. Casey – International Rescue Committee for the Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance grant in the amount of up to \$40,000.00 for the term April 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025. There is no fiscal impact to the City’s General Fund in the form of a cash match.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

International Rescue Committee Grant
April 1, 2024 to December 31, 2025

		Budget
REVENUES (83800000xxxx)		
Contribution from IRC	\$	40,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	40,000
APPROPRIATIONS		
5202020 Contractual	\$	15,000
5207010 Travel - Official	\$	12,500
5203040 Adv & Publication	\$	2,500
5304010 Food	\$	5,000
5407032 DW Other	\$	5,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$	40,000
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BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

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In March 2024, NXT Level was invited to apply for funding from the Annie E. Casey Foundation to receive technical assistance support by IRC, which is a nonprofit organization serving people undergoing humanitarian crises in 50 countries. The IRC is a leading expert on issues impacting refugee, asylees and immigrants world-wide. The COSA Executive Leadership Team approved the application submission on March 14, 2024.

ISSUE:

DHS NXT Level's grant application included a coalition of nonprofits it currently works with to better support youth's education and career outcomes. Communities in Schools, Goodwill Industries, Family Services, Northside ISD, Culturingua, and Workforce Solutions Alamo agreed to join in the technical assistance opportunity.

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The coalition of partners will work with DHS to develop professional development modules for staff, specifically to address the unique needs of youth and young adults, ages 16-24, who have resettled into San Antonio with an added focus on youth from Afghanistan, Syria and other Middle Eastern countries. The modules will help staff build out pathways for youth to successfully complete educational goals and improve employment outcomes. Project goals also include the development of an audit protocol to examine an agency's processes and procedures to ensure immigrant youth feel welcome and supported while receiving services. The audit is anticipated to be an easy-to-use free resource that will be made available to all San Antonio-area nonprofits and organizations.

ALTERNATIVES:

If this ordinance is not approved, DHS Youth Success Division will not have the most effective tools and knowledge to build the capacity of practitioners to more effectively reach and serve San Antonio's immigrant and refugee youth and young adults in identifying and achieving their

education and career goals.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Human Services (DHS) to accept the Annie E. Casey – International Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance grant in the amount of up to \$40,000.00 for a contract period of April 01, 2024, through December 31, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing acceptance of the Annie E. Casey – International Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance grant.

Agenda 06/06/2024

24-200228 - Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of funds upon award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation – International Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult (YYA) Education and Career Technical Assistance grant

Section 1: Funds received for this ordinance will be deposited in Fund 29838000, Internal Order 83800000xxxx and General Ledger 4502280.

Section 2: The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

DRAFT ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE UPON AWARD OF UP TO \$40,000 FOR THE IMMIGRANT YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT EDUCATION AND CAREER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FROM THE ANNIE E. CASEY FOUNDATION AND INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER OUTCOMES OF IMMIGRANT YOUTH FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2024 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025.

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WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services (DHS)' NXT Level program assists disengaged youth and young adults toward better education or career outcomes and has recently recieved applications from immigrant youth resettled in San Antonio from middle eastern counties by the U.S. State Department; and

WHEREAS, the International Rescue Committee contacted DHS about applying for a grant jointly funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation specifically to assist such youth to achieve their educational goals and career outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Leadership Team approved the submission of an application on March 14, 2024; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The acceptance upon the grant award of up to \$40,000 for the Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance Grant from the Annie E. Casey Foundation and International Rescue Committee to support the educational and career outcomes of immigrant youth for the period April 1, 2024 to December 31, 2025, is authorized. A copy of the original grant application is on file with DHS.

SECTION 2. The execution of any and all necessary documents to effectuate said acceptances, and contract amendments when approved by the funders pertaining to this grant in the following instances: a) carry-over funds; b) line item budget revisions; c) modifications to the performance measures; d) supplemental grant funds in an amount up to 20% of the total amount initially awarded, excluding those that require an additional cash match.

SECTION 3. Funds received for this ordinance will be deposited in Fund 29838000, Internal Order 83800000xxxx and General Ledger 4502280. The budget, which is attached and incorporated here for all purposes as **Attachment I**, is approved and adopted for entry in the City books.

SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of June, 2024.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

ATTACHMENT I

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City of San Antonio

Department of Human Services

**Acceptance of Annie E. Casey Foundation – International
Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult
Education and Career Technical Assistance Grant**

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June 6, 2024



Presented by: Melody Woosley, Director, Department of Human Services

Summary



- Acceptance of the Annie E. Casey Foundation – International Rescue Committee (IRC) Immigrant Youth and Young Adult Education and Career Technical Assistance grant in an amount up to \$40,000.00.
- Supports education and career outcomes of immigrant youth and young adults ages 16-24.
- Project period:
 - April 2024 through December 2025

Background



September 2023

- 294,900 immigrants, or 12 percent of the total San Antonio population.
- Two in nine children have at least one immigrant parent.
- 31,500 immigrants in San Antonio enrolled in pre-kindergarten through post-secondary institutions.



November 2023

- NXT LEVEL Youth Opportunity Center sees an increase of immigrant & refugee youth and young adults resettled from Afghanistan & Syria in need of education and workforce support.



March 2024

- IRC program contacted DHS about applying to their Immigrant Youth and Young Adult (YYA) Education and Career Technical Assistance grant, funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

Issue

Application included coalition of nonprofits.

Award up to \$30,000.00 for technical assistance.

Additional \$10,000.00 to develop a pilot project.



Recommendation



Staff recommends approval of this ordinance authorizing acceptance of the Annie E. Casey – International Rescue Committee Immigrant Youth and Young Adult (YYA) Education and Career Technical Assistance grant in an amount up to \$40,000.

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