



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
**NEIGHBORHOOD & HOUSING
SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

June 23, 2022 | Item #42

Amendment to the Interlocal Grant Agreement with Bexar County for Rental and Utility Assistance

Veronica Garcia, Interim Director

Background



- In March 2022, City Council approved an Interlocal Grant Agreement with Bexar County to have the City distribute rental assistance in Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA-2) federal funding to eligible Bexar County residents in the amount of \$3,747,692.00.
- The proposed Interlocal Grant Agreement amendment to add two grants will be utilized to support Bexar County applicants who applied for the Emergency Housing Assistance Program (EHAP) and the Housing Assistance Program (HAP).
- The grants combined may provide up to \$6,364,102.00 in additional funding, conditional upon Bexar County approval.

Emergency Housing Assistance Program (EHAP)

- As of June 20, 2022, San Antonio has approved \$206.2 million for nearly 66,000 households.
- Nearly 234 Bexar County applications pending processing as of June 20, 2022.



Created April 23, 2020

- In response to COVID-19
- Application portal closed on March 1, 2022

Eligibility Summary

- City of San Antonio and Bexar County Resident
- COVID-19 Hardship
- <80% AMI

Assistance Provided

- Rental
- Mortgage
- Utility including Internet Assistance

EHAP Dashboard

As of June 20, 2022



Processed
106,254

Approved
65,920

Pending Manager
Approval / Denial
26

Denied
40,308

\$206,216,424



Rent & Mortgage
\$177,270,908



CPS
\$17,489,892



SAWS
\$2,758,174



Internet
\$666,850



Cash Assistance
(FII)
\$8,030,600

Total People
Assisted
171,698

Avg. Assistance
Per Person
\$1,201

Avg. Assistance
Per Household
\$3,128

<div>EHAP Assistance by City Council District</div> <div>As of June 20, 2022</div> <div>Neighborhood & Housing Services Department</div>	Council District	Average AMI %	Approved Households	Average HH Size	Approved Amount
	1	26.5	5,873	2	\$17.4 M
	2	27.1	9,255	3	\$28.1 M
	3	27.6	6,974	3	\$20.5 M
	4	28.3	5,586	3	\$18 M
	5	24.1	4,580	3	\$12.7 M
	6	30.2	6,131	3	\$19.8 M
	7	28.2	7,118	3	\$21.5 M
	8	29.3	7,187	2	\$22.8 M
	9	30.2	4,505	2	\$15.1 M
	10	30.0	5,492	2	\$18 M
	County	29.1	3,219	3	\$12.4 M
	Total		65,920		\$206.2 M



Housing Assistance Program (HAP)

Assist renters and homeowners experiencing unexpected hardships to keep them housed.

As of June 20, 2022, the City has approved \$3.6 million for nearly 1,292 households.

Opened April 29, 2022

- Based on Risk Mitigation Policy
- Application portal closed on June 10, 2022
- 8,842 total applications submitted

Eligibility Summary

- City of San Antonio and Bexar County Resident
- COVID-19 hardship
- <80% AMI



HAP Services Provided

Housing Stability Assistance

- Rental and mortgage
- Utilities including internet assistance
- Up to 3 months
- Max \$3,500 housing / \$1,500 utilities
- Once every 12 months
- Households who received assistance under EHAP were eligible to apply

Relocation Assistance

- Temporary lodging, security & pet deposits, application fees, and moving costs
- Bus passes to visit housing & appointments
- Up to \$3,000 (multi-family)
 - Up to \$7,000 (mobile homeowners)
- Referrals to Legal Aid and other resources

Summary



Bexar County Grant Amendments*

Grant Amount	EHAP	HAP	Bexar County Residents	Bexar County Residents Outside the City Limits
\$364,102	✓			✓
\$6,000,000**	✓	✓	✓	✓

*Grants are conditional upon Bexar County approval

**Up to \$6M pending Treasury ERA 2 reallocation award to Bexar County

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the amendment to the Interlocal Grant Agreement with Bexar County for the acceptance of two grant amounts including \$364,102.00 to provide rental and utility assistance to Bexar County residents residing outside COSA city limits, and up to \$6,000,000.00 of federal funding, conditional upon approval by Bexar County, for the purpose of providing rental and utility assistance to all Bexar County residents, including those residing within COSA city limits.



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