

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

**ORDINANCE**

**APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH EQUAL HEART FOR THE PLACEMENT OF AMERICORPS MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$13,200 FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 23, 2023, THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2023, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERMS FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$81,200. FUNDING FOR THE INITIAL TERM IS FROM THE FY 2023 GENERAL FUND ADOPTED BUDGET. FUNDING FOR FUTURE YEARS IS DEPENDENT UPON CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET.**

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**WHEREAS**, Equal Heart is a non-profit organization that currently receives two AmeriCorps grants that allows them to support organizations across the country plus their own direct service programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Equal Heart places about 400 AmeriCorps members across 15 states annually. AmeriCorps members are a part of the network of 70,000 Americans that serve their communities to meet critical human needs across various areas of service; and

**WHEREAS**, the AmeriCorps Members will educate the community on asthma triggers and air quality in San Antonio; and

**WHEREAS**, one AmeriCorps Member will work with the SA Kids Breathe (SAKB) Program to specifically support the EXHALE project; and

**WHEREAS**, the EXHALE project addresses six strategies: expanding access to asthma-self management education, working with schools, health care systems, large worksites, and multi-unit housing properties to assess asthma, tobacco and environmental policies and looking at evidence-based interventions and best practices to develop or strengthen such policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the AmeriCorps Member in the SAKB program will work directly with the EXHALE supervisor to support all six EXHALE strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, the AmeriCorps Member will be trained on asthma and the triggers that exacerbate it, learn strategies to reduce or eliminate asthma triggers inside the home and school environments, assist with recruitment to the SAKB home educational program, and develop a presentation on these triggers and mitigation strategies for both allergens and irritants; and

**WHEREAS**, the second AmeriCorps Member will work with Metro Health's Air Quality Program; and

**WHEREAS**, this program will identify and prioritize lower-income and minority communities based on an equity map that has been created by the City of San Antonio Office of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility; and

**WHEREAS**, once communities are identified, the Program will host clean air educational events; and

**WHEREAS**, these events will present an opportunity to inform participants about the negative impact that ground-level ozone pollution and poor air quality have on human health and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the AmeriCorps Member will participate at all levels of the program including planning, assisting with the procurement of resources, executing events, gathering data, tracking progress, creating reports, and various other duties associated with the educational events; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

**SECTION 1.** The City Manager or designee or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District or designee is authorized to execute an agreement with Equal Heart for the placement of AmeriCorps members to support the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District in an amount up to \$13,200 for an initial period beginning January 23, 2023, through August 31, 2023, with the option to renew for up to two additional one-year terms for a total amount up to \$81,200. Funding for the initial term is from the FY 2023 General Fund Adopted Budget. Funding for future years is dependent upon City Council approval of the annual budget. A copy of the agreement in substantially final form is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

**SECTION 2.** Funding in the amount of \$7,500.00 for this ordinance is available in Fund 11001000, Cost Center 3618010006 and General Ledger 5201040 as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Adopted Budget approved by City Council.

**SECTION 3.** Funding in the amount of \$5,700.00 for this ordinance is available in Fund 11001000, Cost Center 3619010010 and General Ledger 5201040 as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Adopted Budget approved by City Council.

**SECTION 4.** Additional funding is contingent upon City Council approval of the Fiscal Year 2024 and subsequent budgets that fall within the contract terms of this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** Payment is authorized to Equal Heart and should be encumbered with a purchase order.

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**SECTION 6.** 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.

**PASSED AND APPROVED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.**

**M A Y O R**  
Ron Nirenberg

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Debbie Racca-Sittre, Acting City Clerk

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Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

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