



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
**METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT**

# Approving a COVID-19 Related Grant, Agreements and Personnel Complements

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Agenda Item #33

November 18, 2021

# Background

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On June  
17, 2021,  
City  
Council  
Action:

Authorized acceptance of the CDC COVID-19 Health Disparities grant funds in the amount of \$26,596,171 and authorized certain agreements funded by the grant

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Authorized certain agreements related to the City's Health Implementation Plan


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# Today's Action

Approves a personnel complement of 21 full-time positions funded by the COVID-19 Health Disparities grant

Amends agreement with the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston for COVID-19 case investigation and contact tracing to extend the term and increase value

Amends agreement with the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio for COVID-19 variant testing to increase value



## Initial personnel complement for the CDC COVID-19 Health Disparities Grant

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21 Positions

- Support the Strategic Growth Plan
- Work to address Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), provide violence prevention case management services, diabetes self-management and nutrition education
- Establish Metro Health's Office of Policy and Civic Engagement and the Access to Care section
- Operational support

# Ratification of Contract Amendments

- University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston for COVID-19 case investigation and contact tracing services
  - Extends the term to end March 31, 2022
  - Adds funds for a total amount up to \$10,620,704
- University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio for COVID-19 variant testing
  - Adds funds for a total amount up to \$558,912 for term ending March 30, 2022
- Due to continued COVID-19 public health emergency, amendments were executed in September and October

# Fiscal Impact

- Funding for the 21 full-time positions for the CDC Health Disparities grant is budgeted in the Health Disparities grant fund. There is no impact to the General Fund.
- Funding for the amendment with UTHSC at Houston in the amount of \$3,220,704, increasing the cumulative amount of the contract to \$10,620,704 for term ending March 31, 2022 is budgeted in the Health Disparities Grant Fund and the Health Implementation Plan Budget.
- Funding for the amendment with UTHSC at San Antonio in the amount of \$358,912, increasing the cumulative amount of the contract to \$558,912 for term ending March 30, 2022 is budgeted in the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) Grant Fund.

# Today's Action

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Authorizes acceptance of funds from the CDC for the Community Health Workers (CHW) for COVID Response and Resilient Communities grant in the amount up to \$2.4M for a period ending August 30, 2022

Authorizes a personnel complement of 9 full-time positions

# COVID-19 CHW Grant

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Initial grant  
period:  
Aug 31, 2021  
to  
Aug 30, 2022



**Train CHWs with the knowledge, roles, and skills** to support the COVID-19 public health response to manage outbreaks and prevent community spread.



**Deploy CHWs to support the COVID-19 public health response** to manage outbreaks and prevent the spread of COVID-19 among priority populations in communities.



**Engage CHWs to help build and strengthen community resilience** to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 by improving the overall health of priority populations in communities.



# Today's Action

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Authorizes negotiation and execution of agreements related to the COVID-19 CHW grant deliverables

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**\$240K**

UTHSCSA Institute for Health Promotion Research for program evaluation services

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**\$433K**

UTHSCSA Community Health Clubs

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**\$43K**

ACCD Northwest Vista College to support formal Community Health Worker training and certification

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**\$300K**

San Antonio Area Foundation to administer mini grants for community-based organizations to deploy CHWs

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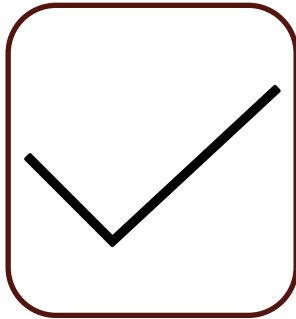
# Fiscal Impact

- Acceptance of funds from the CDC through CARES Act funding for the Community Health Workers for COVID Response and Resilient Communities Grant is for an amount up to \$2.4M for the period August 31, 2021-August 30, 2022.
- The authorization of a personnel complement is for 9 full-time positions.
- There is no impact on the General Fund in the form of a cash match.
- Funding for the agreements related to the grant deliverables is budgeted in the COVID-19 CHW grant fund.



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Staff Recommendation



STAFF RECOMMENDS  
APPROVAL