



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1446, **Agenda Item #:** 29.

4/9/2026

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20250813-005) to accept and appropriate up to \$781,000 in grant funds from the Texas Department of State Health Services Ending the HIV Epidemic Contract. Funding: \$781,000 is available from Texas Department of State Health Services. A City funding match is not required.

Lead Department

Austin Public Health.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$781,000 is available from Texas Department of State Health Services. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

March 27, 2025 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20250327-053 amending the Austin Public Health Department Operating Budget to include \$743,550 from the Texas Department of State Health Services Sexually Transmitted Disease/Human Immunodeficiency Virus Disease Intervention Specialists (STD/HIV-DIS) Contract. Ordinance No. 20250327-053 was approved on an 11-0 vote.

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Additional Backup Information:

Funding under this contract, the Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) initiative, is intended to build on the ongoing activities funded through the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) TB/HIV/STI Section to strategically advance (i.e., initiate new or expand existing) HIV prevention and surveillance efforts in specific jurisdictions in Texas. The funded services will, based on the best available scientific evidence and experience, most rapidly accelerate efforts to reduce new HIV infections. Funded entities must be responsive to local circumstances and are therefore encouraged to implement innovative activities unique to the jurisdiction's local context.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the Austin Public Health Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated.