



# City of Austin

## Legislation Text

---

File #: 22-1075, Version: 1

---

### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a one-year agreement with Texas RioGrande Legal Aid to provide emergency eviction counseling and prevention services to ensure tenant stabilization in an amount not to exceed \$220,000.

### **Lead Department**

Housing and Planning Department.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$220,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Housing and Planning Department's Operating Budget. A fiscal note is attached.

### **For More Information:**

Rosie Truelove, Director, Housing and Planning Department, 512-974-3064; Nefertitti Jackmon, Community Displacement Prevention Officer, Housing and Planning Department, 512-974-3196.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

Because COVID-19 related eviction prevention measures have expired, staff anticipates an increase in eviction filings for tenants who have fallen behind on rent. To reduce the likelihood that the increase in filings will result in displacement and reduce housing opportunities for eligible households, this agreement would allow Texas RioGrande Legal Aid to provide emergency eviction counseling and prevention services for one year. This service will aid those who are most vulnerable to eviction without legal assistance and representation.

### **Strategic Outcome(s):**

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.