



Legislation Text

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To: Harris County Commissioners Court

Through: Gwen J. Sims, Interim Executive Director, Public Health Services

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Subject: Revised Funding Notification for Women, Infant and Children (WIC) Contract

Project ID (If applicable):

Purpose and Request:

Request by Public Health Services to accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission to increase the budget by \$1,431,749, with no required match, for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program.

Background and Discussion:

The WIC Grant is awarded annually with a fiscal year beginning October 1 through September 30. The original award for this fiscal year was \$8,283,510 and was approved by Commissioners Court in August 2020. The revised funding will allow for additional expenses incurred. Typical expenses will include temporary staffing and supplies.

Fiscal Impact:

This is to accept additional funds from HHSC for the existing WIC Contract referenced above. These funds only apply for this fiscal year which will end September 30th. There will be no impact to subsequent fiscal years as these funds are allocated for the current fiscal year and can only be utilized during the current fiscal year.

Fiscal Summary			
Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY 21-22 Projected	Future Years Projected [3 additional years]
Service Impacted: Nutrition Prevention/Nutrition and provide service or division used]*			
Existing Budget	<u>\$8,283,510</u>	<u>\$8,500,500</u>	<u>\$25,000,000</u>
Additional Appropriation			
Total Expenditures	<u>\$1,849,869.86</u>		
Funding Sources			
Existing Department Budget	<u>\$8,283,510</u>	<u>\$8,500,500</u>	<u>\$25,000,000</u>
Please Identify Funding Source Special Revenue, Grant, etc.			
[INSERT FUNDING SOURCE]	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Grant</u>
Total Sources	<u>\$8,283,510</u>	<u>\$8,500,500</u>	

Alternatives: N/A

Alignment with Strategic Objective:

The goal is to utilize these funds for additional expenses due to COVID-19 pandemic within the WIC Program. The program has seen an increase in the number of individuals who have requested WIC Services. An increased number of WIC participants warrants additional staff to provide services. In addition, the WIC operations model has been adjusted to ensure the safety of staff and participants, therefore drop box, curbside and mailing of WIC benefits currently exists in order to continue to meet the needs of the public.

Attachments:

Commissioner's Court letter

Conveyance

Court order

Revised Funding Notification-breakdown of additional funds awarded