



Legislation Text

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Department: County Library

Department Head/Elected Official: Edward Melton, Executive Director

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Grant

Project ID (if applicable):

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): Texas State Library and Archives Commission

MWDBE Participation (if applicable):

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the County Library for approval to accept from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission grant funds in the amount of \$300,000, with no required match, for the FY 2022 Texas Digital Navigators Program.

Background and Discussion: This grant funding will enable Harris County Public Library to hire four digital navigators, one for each Commissioner precinct. The navigators will be tasked with developing and delivering curriculum to address the diverse digital literacy needs of Harris County residents.

Expected Impact: This program will work in tandem with existing digital connectivity efforts taking place across Harris County and represents a substantial investment in digital literacy. In the future, this should have a positive impact on a number of the County's priorities, including Economic Opportunity, Housing, and Public Health as more Harris County residents are empowered by technology.

Alternative Options: N/A

Alignment with Goal(s):

- Justice and Safety
- Economic Opportunity
- Housing
- Public Health
- Transportation
- Flooding
- Environment
- Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
10/12/21	167	Approved.

Location:

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name	-	FY 21-22	Estimates	
			FY 22	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures				
Labor Expenditures	-		291.2k	-
Non-Labor Expenditures	-		8.8k	-
Total Incremental Expenditures	-		300k	-
Funding Sources (General Fund, PIC Fund, Debt or CP, Grants, or Other - Please Specify)				
Existing Budget	-		-	-
	-		-	-
	-		-	-
Total Current Budget	-		-	-
Additional Budget Requested	Grant Award-	-	300k-	-
	-		-	-
	-		-	-
Total Additional Budget Requested	-		-	-
Total Funding Sources	-		300k	-
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Service	-		-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-		-	-
Total Personnel	-		-	-

Anticipated Implementation Date: December 1, 2021

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

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Attachments (if applicable): Award letter.