

Harris County, Texas

Legislation Text

File #: 23-0431, Version: 1

Department: Office of Justice and Safety

Department Head/Elected Official: Amanda Marzullo, Interim Director

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Grant

Project ID (if applicable):

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable):

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable):

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal not applicable to request

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Office of Justice and Safety for approval to accept an amendment to an agreement with the MacArthur Foundation to extend the grant end date to December 31, 2025 for the FY 2021-22 Safety + Justice Challenge Sustainability Grant.

Background and Discussion:

The County was chosen in 2016 as one of eleven jurisdictions across the United States to receive \$2 million to implement strategies for justice system improvement. In 2019, we applied for a renewal grant and received \$2.1 million to continue the SJC work and expand our strategy. The renewal grant period expired on September 30, 2022. The MacArthur Foundation approved a request for a no-cost extension on December 20, 2022, to use unexpended grant funds to cover several SJC strategies, including the Racial and Ethnic Equity Committee work, the Community Assistance Resource Program, court case backlog, and jail population reduction.

Expected Impact:

The grant funds will enable us to build capacity to support the work of the Racial and Ethnic Equity (REE) Committee and continue mental health services interventions and nonappearance mitigation to individuals being released from the jail.

Alternative Options:

Not approve the SJC grant extension, in which case the grant will expire, and the remaining funds will go unused.

Alignment with Goal(s):

X Justice and Safety

_ Economic Opportunity	
_ Housing	
_ Public Health	
_ Transportation	
_ Flooding	
_ Environment	

_ Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any):

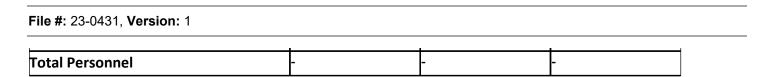
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Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
5/10/2022		Approval of DUA

Location:

Address (if applicable): Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name			
•	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT w	rite values in t	housands or millions	s)
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write value	s in thousands	or millions)	•
Existing Budget			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Sources	\$	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if reques	ting new PCNs)		
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-



Anticipated Court Date: January 31, 2023

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): Immediately

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

Contact(s) name, title, department: Mike Giordanelli, Deputy Director Administration and Special Projects,

Office of Justice and Safety

Attachments (if applicable):

Email approval for a no-cost extension No-cost extension letter to MacArthur