



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 04/18/2023

SUBJECT: **APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
STATE HEALTH SERVICES COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS
SECTION/HAZARDS – PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS GRANT AGREEMENT**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Community Preparedness Section/Hazards – Public Health Emergency Preparedness (CPS/Hazards-PHEP) Grant Agreement, Contract #HHS001311200012, for FY 2024 funding.

BACKGROUND

Historically, TCPH has received annual funding from DSHS through various grant agreements to perform essential public health services in support of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement between DSHS and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The CPS/Hazards-PHEP grant is a recurring grant which provides funding for the salaries of staff who perform activities in support of CDC's PHEP Cooperative Agreement with DSHS. These activities include performing exercises on response plans to determine if updates are necessary, distributing preparedness messaging to vulnerable populations, providing educational materials and performing disease surveillance activities related to communicable diseases.

On May 16, 2017, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #125201, approved the most recent base contract with DSHS for FY 2018 grant funding. Over the years, the Court has approved annual amendments for additional grant funding for FY 2019 through FY 2023.

On February 7, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #140245, authorized TCPH to provide a budget template and contract renewal checklist template to DSHS as a requirement to receive the CPS/Hazards-PHEP Grant Agreement renewal from DSHS for approval and signature.

With approval of the CPS/Hazards-PHEP, TCPH will receive \$1,249,661.00 in federal funding from DSHS to continue supporting staff salaries. There is a required match amount of \$124,966.00 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,374,627.00. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. DSHS, at its sole discretion, may extend this agreement for up to four (4) years for a maximum term of five (5) years. This FY 2024 CPS/Hazards-PHEP Grant Agreement will be the new base contract to which future funding years will be provided to Commissioners Court as amendments for approval.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has reviewed the agreement as to form.

SUBMITTED BY:	Public Health	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Sabrina Vidaurri
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FISCAL IMPACT

In addition to the grant of \$1,249,661.00 in federal funding (F0043-2024), grant match funds of \$124,966.00 will be provided by public health funds in T0410-2024 for a total amount not-to-exceed \$1,374,627.00.

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