



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
May 26, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: Lisa Warhuus, Director, Health, Housing and Community Services

Subject: Contract: Bay Area Community Resources for the Placement of AmeriCorps Members

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to execute an expenditure contract and any amendments or extensions thereto with Bay Area Community Resources in an amount not to exceed \$56,000 for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 for the placement of AmeriCorps members.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding sources for the Bay Area Community Resources contract include local funding for Berkeley High School Health Center (BHS HC) and Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center (B-Tech) in the following budgets: Project Code HHPGHS2101, ERMA GL Account 011-51-506-560-0000-000-451-636110 (\$17,573); Project Code HHPTIX2101, ERMA GL Account 011-51-506-560-0000-000-451-636110 (\$17,573); and in HHPMHS2101, ERMA GL Account 315-51-506-562-2063-000-451-636110 (\$20,854). Funding for this contract is included in the proposed FY 2021 budget.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Bay Area Community Resources (BACR) will provide up to four AmeriCorps members to work with the Public Health Division in providing health education services related to family planning and other youth health issues, and lead youth development/peer education programs at the Berkeley High School Health Center and Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center. Additionally, they will conduct community outreach, enter data into the electronic health records, and facilitate support group services. Members will be placed at the Berkeley High School Health Center and Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center.

BACKGROUND

Berkeley Public Health Division has a longstanding partnership with BACR and the AmeriCorps program to provide professional development opportunities to youth in the field of Public Health. AmeriCorps members provide essential near-peer services to Berkeley youth.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

At the Berkeley High School and Berkeley Technology Academy Health Centers, the AmeriCorps members provide much needed health education services to high school students. The AmeriCorps program provides peer education and group support services regarding healthy relationships, positive decision making and communication, pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease prevention and testing, and counseling regarding birth control methods. Additionally, the AmeriCorps volunteers receive training that supports development of an equitable and inclusive workforce.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

The City could not hire AmeriCorps members to support these programs. This would lead to a significant decrease in services Public Health could provide to Berkeley's youth.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT: BAY AREA COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR THE PLACEMENT OF  
AMERICORPS INTERNS

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Public Health Division has supported the Berkeley High School Health Center and Berkeley Technology Academy and their provision of comprehensive health care to students since its inception in 1991; and

WHEREAS, the intern programs at the Berkeley High School Health Center and Berkeley Technology Academy allow for the provision of critical health education services for their high risk populations; and

WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps program provides professional development opportunities to youth in the field of public health; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the FY21 budgets: Project Code HHPGHS2101, ERMA GL Account 011-51-506-560-0000-000-451-636110; Project Code HHPTIX2101, ERMA GL Account 011-51-506-560-0000-000-451-636110; and HHPMHS2101, ERMA GL Account 315-51-506-562-2063-000-451-636110.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is authorized to execute an expenditure contract and any amendments or extensions thereto with Bay Area Community Resources (BACR) in an amount not to exceed \$56,000 for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 for the purpose of placing AmeriCorps interns at the Berkeley High School Health Center and the Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center. A record signature copy of said contract and any amendments shall be on file in the office of the City Clerk.

