Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
July 16, 2013

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Christine Daniel, City Manager

Submitted by: Jane Micallef, Director, Health, Housing & Community Services

Subject: Contract: Bay Area Community Resources for Placement of AmeriCorps Interns

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an expenditure contract and any amendments or extensions with Bay Area Community Resources (BACR) for the placement of AmeriCorps Interns in an amount not to exceed $70,000 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding sources for this contract are the same as those utilized in FY 2013, and include a mix of State and local funding in budget codes 010-4500-440.35-10 ($30,000), 010-4523-44.35-10 ($6,722), 010-4547-440.35-10 ($8,640), and 086-4551-440.35-10 ($10,638) for the Berkeley High School Health Center (BHSHC) and Berkeley Technology Academy (B-Tech) AmeriCorps members, and 134-4560-440.35-10 ($14,000) for the Vera Casey Pregnant and Parenting Teen Program (VCPPTP) AmeriCorps member. Funding for this contract is in the adopted FY 2014 budget. The contract has been entered into the City's Contract Management System and assigned CMS No. RXJZY.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

With this contract BACR will provide up to five members who will work in the Public Health Division at the BHSHC, B-Tech and the VCPPTP to provide health education services related to family planning and other youth health issues, lead youth development/peer education programs, and conduct community outreach, case management, parenting classes and support group services. Members will work at the Berkeley High School Health Center, Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center, and in the Vera Casey Program.

Berkeley Public Health Division has a longstanding partnership with BACR and the AmeriCorps program to provide professional development opportunities to youth. This is a youth development opportunity for the AmeriCorps members and provides essential near-peer services to Berkeley teens.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The AmeriCorps members provide much needed health education services at the Berkeley High School and BTech Health Centers. Without the AmeriCorps program at the two school-based clinics, the Public Health Division would not have the capacity to provide individual education/counseling or classroom prevention services to the numbers of students the program currently serves. Many students would not receive critical health education services that the AmeriCorps members provide, including education regarding healthy relationships, pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease prevention and testing, and counseling regarding birth control methods. Moreover, the Health Centers would no longer be able to implement the youth development peer education programs that both provide young people with the opportunity to develop important life skills, and provide near-peer learning opportunities for students at both campuses.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

The City could not hire AmeriCorps members. This alternative was rejected because of the negative impact it would have on the well-being of Berkeley's youth.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:
1: Resolution

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

EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH BAY AREA COMMUNITY RESOURCES (BACR) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $70,000 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014

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

WHEREAS, the intern program at the Berkeley High School Health Center and the Vera Casey Program allows for the provision of critical health education of mental health services for its high risk student population; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the current year budgets in General Fund, State grants, and Health Clinic Services Funds: Budget Codes 010-4547-440.35-10, 165-4559-440.35-10, 055-4551-440.35-10, and 086-4551-440.35-10.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute an expenditure contract and any amendments or extensions with Bay Area Community Resources (BACR) in an amount not to exceed $70,000 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 for the purpose of placing AmeriCorps interns at the Berkeley High School Health Center (BHSHC) and the Vera Casey Pregnant and Parenting Teen Program. Budget Codes (Expenditure) 010-4500-440.35-10 ($30,000), 010-4523-440.35-10 ($6,722), 010-4547-440.35-10 ($8,640), 086-4551-440.35-10 ($10,638), and 134-4560-440.35-10 ($14,000); CMS No. RXJZY. A record signature copy of said contract to be on file in the office of the City Clerk.