

Department of State Health Services Public Health Infrastructure Grant

Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance of Grant Award

Health Department
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Ordinance

Ordinance accepting Public Health Infrastructure Grant for \$250,000.00 from the Department of State Health Services to enhance and expand Laboratory Information Management System infrastructure through November 30, 2027; and appropriating \$250,000.00 in the Health Grant Fund.



Summary Information

Public Health Infrastructure Grant Overview:

The purpose of this grant is to make strategic investments that enhance data exchange efficiency and accuracy and strengthening infectious disease surveillance and control efforts.

The objective of this grant is to:

- Enhances Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) infrastructure
 - Improve jurisdictional visibility of laboratory data
 - Enable faster and more comprehensive data exchange and reporting to:
 - Department of State Health Services
 - National Electronic Disease Surveillance System
 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
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Background Information

Public Health Infrastructure Grant Continued:

Grant enhancement initiatives include:

- Automate reporting processes for improved accuracy, reliability, and efficiency
- Strengthen data flow between public health laboratories and partners
- Enhance lab service flexibility and scalability
- Expand test menu options to meet evolving community needs
- Supports informed decision-making and regulatory compliance with Texas state laws requiring notification of conditions to DSHS



Background Information

3-Year Budget Breakdown:

3-Year Total: **\$250,000.00**

- Year 1: **\$60,333.00**
- Year 2: **\$87,733.00**
- Year 3: **\$101,943.00**

Budget Summary:

Budget Categories	DSHS Funding Year 1 (Execution thru 11/30/2025)	DSHS Funding Year 2 (12/1/2025 thru 11/30/2026)	DSHS Funding Year 3 (12/1/2026 thru 11/30/2027)	Summary
Personnel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fringe Benefits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Travel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies	\$19,333.00	\$3,533.00	\$12,434.00	\$35,300.00
Contractual	\$41,000.00	\$84,200.00	\$89,500.00	\$214,700.00
Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Direct Costs	\$60,333.00	\$87,733.00	\$101,934.00	\$250,000.00
Indirect Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Sum of Direct and Indirect Costs	\$60,333.00	\$87,733.00	\$101,934.00	\$250,000.00



Fiscal Impact & Recommendation

Fiscal Impact:

Public Health Infrastructure Grant contract is effective upon contract execution through November 30, 2027.

- Total 3-year grant amount is **250,000.00**
 - **\$214,700.00** for contractual services (annual LIMS support, HL7 interface builds, configurations)
 - **\$35,300.00** for supplies (computer hardware & office supplies)
- No FTEs are supported by this grant.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance.



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Questions?