

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Dennis J. Campa, Director, Department of Community Initiatives

**COPIES:** Frances A. Gonzalez, Assistant to the City Manager; City Attorney's Office; Finance; Office of Management and Budget; File

**SUBJECT:** AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM LOCAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS PARTICIPATING IN THE SAN ANTONIO EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

**DATE:** October 9, 2003

**SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of up to \$186,180 from seven local Independent School Districts participating as partners and supporting the program services operations of the San Antonio Education Partnership. This ordinance also adopts the fiscal year 2002/2003 program budget and a revised personnel complement and authorizes the transfer and expenditure of any remaining funds from previous program years.

Staff recommends the approval of this ordinance.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

On August 2, 2003, the San Antonio Education Partnership began its 15th year as a high school intervention program providing services to improve school attendance, enhance academic performance, promote high school graduation, increase college enrollment and strengthen better job opportunities. The 15 targeted high schools have a majority population of students at-risk of leaving before high school graduation. All students enrolled in the schools are encouraged to participate in the Partnership. A distinct element of the Education Partnership is the placing of Partnership Advisors at each high school. Through the work of the Partnership Advisors, the Education Partnership provides support, motivation and incentives that include awarding four-year scholarships to local colleges and universities. The Partnership scholarships are renewable up to five years for attendance at local colleges and universities. In exchange, students commit to earning at least a "B" grade average by graduation with a 95% attendance rate each year in grades 9-12. A list of individual high schools participating and the number of students participating per school districts is included as Attachment A.

From 1989 through 1995, support for program staff and operations was provided through the City of San Antonio with funding from the Job Training Partnership Act. The first General Fund contribution of \$275,400 was allocated to the San Antonio Education Partnership in 1996. The

\$1,344,988 General Fund contribution to the Partnership for FY 2003/2004 includes two allocations: overall budget support for staff and program services operations and a scholarship allocation.

#### **Student Participation By Council Districts**

<b>Council Districts</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Participants</b>	<b>3210</b>	<b>1986</b>	<b>3223</b>	<b>4212</b>	<b>3223</b>	<b>1273</b>	<b>1642</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>53</b>

Students reporting no district 1,712

#### **POLICY ANALYSIS**

This ordinance is a continuation of the school districts support of the mission of the San Antonio Education Partnership to expand support services for students, increase high school graduation rates and local college enrollment. The funds from the school districts will be used for program services to enhance Partnership Awareness, Stay-In-School activities and Pre-College Preparation to encourage high school graduation and college enrollment. The San Antonio Education Partnership encourages students to stay in school and go to college using college scholarships as incentives. This strategy contributes directly to the earning potential of the students and productivity of the workforce thus enhancing economic development of the city. According to the US Census Bureau, *Average Annual Income by Educational Attainment*, high school graduates earn 62% more than those without diplomas. Additionally, individuals with Associates and Bachelors degrees earn 45% and 51% more, respectively, then those with only high school diplomas.

The San Antonio Education Partnership represents a significant City contribution to the local workforce and economic development; an example of a collaborative effort between the City of San Antonio, the private sector, school districts, colleges and universities, and community-based organizations. An example of the direct link to economic development is the documented results through July 2003 showing that 1,477 Partnership scholarship recipients have earned college degrees producing 1,025 Bachelor Degrees and 707 Associate Degrees and Certifications. The estimated economic impact is over \$10 million in annual taxes resulting from the increased economic earning power of the college graduates.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The support to the San Antonio Education Partnership comes from the City of San Antonio, school districts and corporate and fundraising contributions. The colleges and universities provide additional support such as financial assistance to Partnership scholarship recipients through college and university grants and scholarships, state/federal grants and parent loans.

In FY 2003, of the targeted population of over 25,000 students in grades 9-12 who enrolled in the 15 high schools, the Education Partnership provided services to 21,306 students. Preliminary data indicated that of the 4,736 participating seniors who signed Commitment to Academic Excellence forms, 92% graduated from high school and 2,544 met the scholarship eligibility standards.

## EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP FIVE-YEAR FUNDING HISTORY

Contributions	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
School Districts (7)	\$ 84,235	\$111,250	\$ 155,216	\$186,180	\$186,180
General Fund (Program Services)	304,484	450,000	590,766	712,091	763,093
General Fund (Scholarships)	-----	-----	* 650,000	650,000	581,895
Corporate Contributions, Fundraising, and Investments	641,393	665,000	700,000	1,026,000	1,223,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,030,112</b>	<b>1,226,250</b>	<b>2,095,892</b>	<b>2,574,271</b>	<b>2,754,168</b>

\* To add five schools in FY 2001, the first General Fund scholarship contribution was \$650,000 with an additional \$650,000 in FY 2002 and \$581,895 in FY 2003. The scholarship allocations are specifically designated for the five added schools to be distributed over five-years.

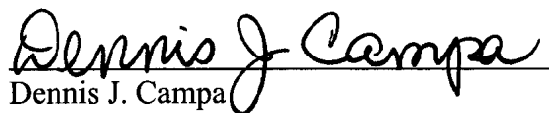
The personnel complement is being revised to delete one vacant Project Management Specialists position and add one Administrative Assistant II position to provide program support and increased tracking of SAEF graduates.

### COORDINATION

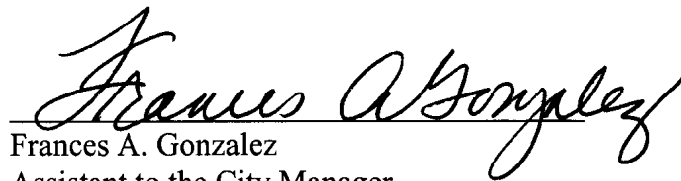
The Department of Community Initiatives coordinated with the San Antonio Education Partnership Board of Directors, the City Attorney's Office, the Finance Department and the Office of Management and Budget.

### SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

Provisions of the Ethics Ordinance do not apply.

  
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Approved:

  
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City Manager

## ATTACHMENT A

<b>School Districts</b> <b># Currently Participating Students</b>	<b>High Schools in the Education Partnership</b>
<b>San Antonio ISD</b> <i># of students: 9,677</i>	Luther Burbank, Thomas A. Edison, Louis W. Fox Tech, Highlands, Sam Houston, Thomas Jefferson, and Sidney Lanier
<b>Edgewood ISD</b> <i># of Students: 1,984</i>	John F. Kennedy and Memorial
<b>Harlandale ISD</b> <i># of Students: 3,238</i>	Harlandale and Dillard McCollum
<b>South San ISD</b> <i># of Students: 1,535</i>	South San
<b>Southside ISD</b> <i># of Students: 1,074</i>	Southside
<b>Southwest ISD</b> <i># of Students: 2,201</i>	Southwest
<b>Northeast ISD</b> <i># of Students: 1,597</i>	Robert E. Lee

Total number of currently participating students: 21,306

**Department of Community Initiatives**  
**San Antonio Education Partnership Grant 2002-2003**  
**Project No. 26-012220**  
**October 1, 2002 thru September 30, 2003**

<b>Index Code</b>	<b>Estimated Revenues:</b>	<b>Obj Code</b>	<b>Budget</b>
066381	San Antonio ISD		86,884.00
067611	Edgewood ISD		24,824.00
070433	Harlandale ISD		24,824.00
071035	South San ISD		12,412.00
071175	Southwest ISD		12,412.00
071647	Southside ISD		12,412.00
071936	Northeast ISD		12,412.00
113068	Transfer From 26-012220		
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>			<b><u>186,180.00</u></b>
<b>Appropriations:</b>			
<b>Activity 38-16-11</b>			
491993	Regular Salaries and Wages	01-010	84,798.00
493973	Retirement Benefits-Soc. Sec.	01-030	4,325.00
494641	Retirement Benefits-TMRS	01-040	6,722.00
494864	Flexible Benefits Contribution	01-050	8,712.00
495150	Life Insurance	01-051	150.00
495465	Communications: Telephones	02-110	200.00
495986	Pagers	02-112	190.00
496455	Mail & Parcel Post Service	02-113	4,734.00
497180	Interfund Rent of City Motor Pool	02-120	100.00
497750	Travel-Official	02-124	4,500.00
498832	Education	02-128	3,500.00
499582	Car Expense Allowance	02-130	3,600.00
503714	Maint & Rep - Machinery & Equipment	02-142	2,500.00
505842	Fees to Professional Contractors	02-160	4,200.00
507368	Temporary Services	02-161	19,099.00
508374	Advertising & Publication	02-175	8,300.00
508713	Membership Dues and Licenses	02-178	350.00
509091	Binding, Printing & Reproduction	01-181	6,500.00
510503	Subscription to Publications	02-187	200.00
511071	Office Supplies	03-210	8,500.00
512509	Food	03-216	1,500.00
513069	Computer Software	03-243	6,000.00
513994	Computer Equipment	05-360	6,000.00
517920	Machinery & Equipment - Other	05-373	500.00
519603	Furniture and Fixtures	05-375	1,000.00
<b>Total Appropriations</b>			<b><u>186,180.00</u></b>

**Fund only index code: 003157**

San Antonio Education Partnership  
Personnel Complement  
Project 26-XXXXXXX

<b>Job Class No.</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Current No. of Positions</b>	<b>Add/Delete (+/-)</b>	<b>New Total</b>
0919	Project Management Specialist	2	-1	1
0919	Project Management Specialist (Temp)	1	0	1
0041	Administrative Assistant II	0	+1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>3</b>