

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**DECEMBER 9, 2010**

**ITEM 29, # 100949**

**File # 100949 is a resolution relative to application for, and acceptance and funding of, the Milwaukee Comprehensive Home Visiting Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.**

**Background**

1. This is a continuing grant as reflected in Resolution File # 091007 authorizing application for, and acceptance and expenditure of an additional award in 2010 and allowing the expansion of services from 6 to 8 zip code areas.
2. The purposes of this continuing grant are to reduce risks of infant mortality and to assure child health readiness for school. The objectives include providing services to 700 families in need in order to:
  - improve pregnancy outcomes
  - enhance family functions
  - prevent child abuse and neglect
  - assure child readiness for school
3. Families in 8 zip code target areas have been or will be identified and will be served over the 5 ½-year project period in cooperation with multiple agencies and community based organizations in Milwaukee.
4. Services are delivered by a case management team comprised of a social worker, community health worker and public health nurse. In addition to direct service provision, the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) provides leadership for community collaboration and a centralized intake/referral system to assure coordination of services for families in need.
5. A new request for proposals (RFP) is anticipated and, if successful, the Milwaukee Health Department may be eligible for continued funding through December 31, 2015.

**Discussion**

1. The grantor share for the period January 1, 2011, through June 30, 2011, is \$417,292, which is \$394,793 less (-48.6%) than the total amount of \$812,085 awarded for 2010. The City share is \$11,250 (2.7% of the 2011 6-month award).
2. The grantor share continues to support 6 positions including 2 Public Health Nurses, 1 Maternal and Child Health Visitation Program Manager, 1 Health Project Coordinator, 1 Health Information Specialist and 1 Office Assistant II. The budget is for a 6-month period rather than the current full year. Other funds may become available to extend services past June 30, 2011. The budget is allocated as follows:

Personnel	\$135,370
Fringe Benefits	64,977
Office and Program Supplies	801
Wireless Cards & Cell Phone service	4,000
Professional Recertification	800
Mileage	2,144
Flexible Funds (150 Families; see par. 3)	22,500
Contract Services (Visitation/Outreach)	187,500

**Grant Total                    \$417,292**

3. The City share of \$11,250 is a dollar-for-dollar match with grantor funding for flexible funds to assist an estimated 150 families.
4. The resolution in File #100949 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$417,292 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2011 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
5. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant and the proposed budget, to expend from these amounts and incur costs for purposes including the purchase of equipment, employee travel and training, and entry into subcontracts.

**Fiscal Impact**

1. This resolution commits \$417,292 to the Comprehensive Home Visitation Program of which \$406,042 (97.3%) is grantor share.
2. This resolution also identifies \$11,250 (2.7%) as the City's cash share of the Program. This amount has previously been approved in the 2011 Budget.
3. This resolution has no impact on the tax levy.

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