

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 5, FILE # 011077

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File # 011077 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Grant.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund a Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Grant project from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.
2. This is a grant continuation to encompass the period of October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002.

Discussion

1. The purpose of this grant project is to increase the number of low-income and medically under-served women 50 years of age and older to be screened for breast and cervical cancer and improve the quality of screening, referral and follow-up.
2. Statistics from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services indicate that approximately 950 Wisconsin women die from breast and cervical cancer each year.
3. Early detection of the disease through screening could prevent up to one-third of deaths attributable to breast and cervical cancer.
4. This MHD program seeks to promote and enhance opportunities for poor, minority and older women to be screened, especially in circumstances where cost, testing availability and lack of primary medical care are factors.
5. The grant funds positions and services necessary for the daily operation of the mobile mammography van and staff. The van travels four days a week and positions itself at local clinics throughout the city; Martin Luther King, Johnston, Southside, 16th Street, Madison Street and Northwest Health Centers. Various community correctional sites are included in the sites visited
6. In year 2001, approximately 1700 breast and cervical screens have been conducted.

7. A key component of the health department services is to provide linkages and referrals to primary health care providers for participants in the screening program.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total amount of this grant is \$131,736, entirely from the grantor. No city matching funds are required.
2. This grant funds a total of four health department positions:
 - 2 X-ray Technicians III (SG 340)
 - 1 Office Assistant II (SG 410)
 - 1 Truck Driver (3 ½ Ton) (SG 248)
3. This grant also funds program, medical and X-ray supplies as well as outreach and education.

Further Information

This grant resolution is requesting that funding for one of the X-ray technicians be transferred from the Breast Cancer Awareness Program grant (a closely related program) to the grant under consideration in this file.

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