LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 23, FILE # 041715

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File # 041715 is a resolution relative to the application, acceptance and funding of the Wellpoint Outreach Grant.

Background

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Wellpoint Outreach grant project for the Wellpoint Foundation through Community Advocates.
- 2. This is a new grant.

Discussion

- 1. The purpose of this project is to assist low-income families in obtaining medical insurance and food stamps and other entitlements.
- 2. Grant funding will also assist MHD staff in developing strategies to outreach to the families of school children. Emphasis in the program will also include outreach to low-income pregnant women and teens in obtaining medical insurance and benefits received through WIC and Prenatal Care Coordination.
- 3. MHD has the goal of contacting 400 pregnant women and teens with an enrollment target of 200 into Medicaid/BadgerCare programs.
- 4. Up to 1,000 individual will be contacted throughout the year in order to enroll them in the Medicaid/BadgerCare programs.
- 5. Venues for enrollment will include MPS registration events, the annual health fair at South Division, community health clinics, Housing Authority properties and various food pantries throughout the city.
- 6. This grant encompasses the period of March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

Fiscal Effect

1. The total amount of this grant is \$106,500, entirely from the grantor.

- 2. This grant will fund 2 existing MHD Health Access Assistants II, SG 425 with salary and fringe benefits (\$87,892).
- 3. Supplies and incentives are budgeted for \$14,358 as well as \$1,000 for health fair expenses.
- 4. The contracted services line includes \$3,250 for a contract for grant writing services to identify and sustain program funding.

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