

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**JUNE 19, 2008**

**ITEM 14, FILE # 080286**

File # 080286 is a resolution relating to the application, acceptance and funding of the Community Collaborative-Disabled Victims of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Grant from Independence *First*.

**Background**

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department to apply for, accept and fund the first year of an anticipated 3-year grant-funded initiative to better serve victims of sexual assault and domestic violence who have disabilities.
2. The four partners in this community collaborative are the City of Milwaukee Health Department, Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, the Milwaukee County Department of Health and Human Services-Disability Services Division, and Independence *First*, a nonprofit organization primarily serving persons with disabilities in the 4-county metro-Milwaukee region.
3. The proposed collaborative has grown out of the activities of the Milwaukee Disability Review Abuse Team (DART) which also includes law enforcement agencies in efforts to provide services for victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault "...from crisis to healing...."
4. Independence *First* has received funding from the Office on Violence Against Women of the U. S. Department of Justice which will support the proposed grant.
5. The first year of funding is intended to be a planning year and will partially support the new Health Department position of Violence Reduction and Prevention Initiative Manager.

**Discussion**

1. The proposed grant activity year is October 1, 2007 to September 31, 2008 with anticipated additional funding for activities through September 30 2009.
2. The proposed budget for the first grant year totals \$35,000 as follows:

**Personnel Costs**

1 FTE Violence Reduction and Prevention  
Initiative Manager (pay grade 6, partially funded) \$17,447

**Fringe Benefits**

41% 7,153

**Supplies**

Miscellaneous Program Supplies 5,400  
Printing and Duplication 5,000

**TOTAL \$35,000**

3. The resolution in File #080286 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$35,000 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2008 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
4. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; and to expend funds for training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds.

**Fiscal Effect**

1. The total amount of this grant is \$35,000 entirely from the grantor.
2. There is no effect on the tax levy.

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