

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**MAY 8, 2008**

**ITEM 20, FILE # 080022**

**File # 080022 is a resolution relative to the application, funding and expenditure of the Milwaukee Nurse-Family Partnership Program grant from the University of Wisconsin-School of Medicine and Public Health.**

**Background**

1. Activities to be funded by this continuing grant involve intensive home visitation by two public health nurses (1.75 FTE) in zip code areas 53210 and 53218 for at risk women experiencing their first pregnancy and for the children born to them up to age 2.
2. This project complements the "Columbia St. Mary's" program previously implemented in zip code areas 53204 and 53212.
3. As noted in the Executive Summary to the initial grant proposal, "...residents of the City of Milwaukee suffer from unacceptable and disproportionately high rates of teen pregnancy and poor birth outcomes, including preterm births, low birth weight, fetal and infant deaths, and injuries to children in the first two years of life."
4. Unlike the Health Department's current Comprehensive Home Visitation Program, the Nurse-Family Partnership model utilizes only nurses as case managers. The outcomes of this program in the more than 20 cities and states that have used this research-based delivery of service are improved health, wellbeing and self-sufficiency of at-risk, low-income parents and their children.
5. Successful implementation of the Nurse-Family Partnership Program in the City of Milwaukee may lead to its adoption by other Wisconsin communities and the commitment of State and other resources for continuation after the 3-year grant ends.

**Discussion**

1. This annual grant for \$136,328 is entirely grantor share. The grantor is the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health through its Wisconsin Partnership Fund for a Healthy Future (Blue Cross program).
2. The grant period authorized by the resolution is May 1, 2008, to March 26, 2009, nearly 11 months. It is anticipated that the grant will be renewed annually for a total project period of 3 years ending 2/28/10.

3. The planned 3-year project is anticipated to receive a total award of nearly \$450,000. The proposed budget for the second year does not require in-kind match

4. The grant budget for the proposed new period is as follows:

<b>Personnel</b>	1.75 FTE Public Health Nurses	\$ 85,860
<b>Fringe</b>		35,203
<b>Supplies</b>		3,000
<b>Equipment</b>		2,800
<b>Contractual</b>	(Training, Ongoing Consultation)	9,465

**Total \$136,328**

5. Contractual amounts are to cover costs of nurse training, ongoing support, consultation and monitoring by a national organization, the Nurse Family Partnership. These amounts have been reduced from \$22,300 provided in the first year.

6. The resolution in File #080022 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$135,328 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. The Comptroller is further authorized to establish City Share Project Values.

7. 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 in 2008.

**Fiscal Impact**

1. This proposed \$135,328 in grantor share funding will have no impact on the tax levy.

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