

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

OCTOBER 1, 2009

ITEM 5, FILE # 090249

File #090249 is a resolution relative to application, funding and expenditure of the Refugee Health Screening Grant from the State of Wisconsin – Department of Workforce Development.

Background

1. This is a continuing grant that supports the City of Milwaukee Tuberculosis Control Clinic (TBCC) in providing outreach, screening and other public health services to refugees. Funding is provided by the State of Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development - Division of Economic Support.
2. Refugees are screened for tuberculosis, hepatitis, lead poisoning, pregnancy, parasites and other enteric diseases. Necessary immunizations are provided. Health care education and information about accessing health care delivery systems are offered.
3. The number of screenings has increased significantly under the program in recent years:

<u>Year</u>	10/1 to	<u>Screenings Provided</u>
2006		98
2007		253
2008		354
2009	(10/1/08 to 6/30, 09)	220
2010	(estimate)	475

Discussion

1. This award of \$304,500 from the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development is \$134,500 greater (+79.1%) than the current grant of \$170,000. These funds will support screening, immunization and education for an anticipated 475 individuals in a refugee health screening program administered by the Tuberculosis Control Clinic.
2. The grant period will be October 1, 2009, to September 30, 2010.
3. The grantor share is 100% and includes funds to partially support the wages and benefits of a Health Interpreter Aide (an existing position at pay grade 300). Much of the increase this year will also support the positions of 3 Public Health Nurses which have not previously been funded under the grant. Funding is provided for supplies, educational materials other translation services, equipment repair and maintenance and physician contractual services. The following is a summary of the project budget:

Salaries and wages	
3 Public Health Nurses – partial (grade 666)	\$ 72,000
1 Health Interpreter Aide	5,000
Fringe Benefits	31,570
Program Supplies	30,000
Office supplies	8,000
Incentives for Outreach	1,000
Medications	1,000
Temporary personnel	15,000
Printing and copying	4,950
Postage and shipping	3,000
Travel and training	8,000
Translation services	32,980
Equipment repair and maintenance	20,000
Medical tests	17,000
Contractual services (physician services)	55,000
Total	\$304,500

4. Resolution File #090249 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$304,500 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2009 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, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; to expend 2009 budgeted amounts for equipment deemed necessary to the operation of the program; and to expend funds for training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds in 2009.

Fiscal Impact

1. This proposed \$170,000 in non-O&M funding will support continuing activities and services that would not be provided absent such funding. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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