

GRANT ANALYSIS FORM

OPERATING & CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

Department/Division: Health/Family and Community Health Services

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Category of Request

New Grant

Grant Continuation

Change in Previously Approved Grant

Previous Council File No. 121657

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Project Title: Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families Grant

Grantor Agency: Wisconsin Partnership Program - University of Wisconsin-School of Medicine and Public Health.

Grant Application Date: November 30, 2012

Anticipated Award Date: July 2013

Please provide the following information:

1. Description of Grant Program/Project (Include Target Locations and Populations):

The overarching goal of the Direct Assistance for Dads (DAD) Project at the City of Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) is to *positively impact infant mortality, improve birth outcomes, and strengthen African American families and communities by strengthening father involvement in their child(ren)'s and partner's lives.*

The DAD Project aims to reach this goal by providing intensive, evidence-based, and participant-driven fatherhood-focused home visitation services to expectant and parenting fathers of children 0-18 months in the city of Milwaukee. The program will focus primarily on serving fathers living in the twelve zip codes of greatest need identified in the Milwaukee *Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families* (LIHF) Community Action Plan. The DAD Project will provide two Father Involvement Specialists (FISs) to conduct outreach, recruit, and enroll expectant and parenting fathers in the community for participation in this holistic, evidence-based, and participant-driven program. The FISs will work closely with MHD's evidence-based Empowering Families of Milwaukee (EFM) and Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) programs. Services will include: creation of individualized, strength-based care plans; provision of 24:7 Dad fatherhood curriculum and Parents as Teachers child development curriculum; screening for depression and AODA concerns; referrals to mental health treatment and consultation; referrals to programs supporting educational attainment, employment, financial literacy, legal assistance, and help with child support; and access to a wide array of preventative health services.

2. Relationship to City-wide Strategic Goals and Departmental Objectives:

This program relates to the City-wide goal to improve birth outcomes, reduce infant mortality rates among African American families in Milwaukee.

3. Need for Grant Funds and Impact on Other Departmental Operations (Applies only to Programs):

Providing these direct services to expectant and parenting fathers in Milwaukee will advance the LIHF goal of strengthening African American families and communities by strengthening father involvement in their families. This project will work to improve birth outcomes in the targeted area and reduce infant mortality rates among African American families in Milwaukee. In addition, the project aims to improve the attainment of developmental milestones and social-emotional indicators for African American children of enrolled fathers.

4. Results Measurement/Progress Report (Applies only to Programs):

Though it is too early in the implementation of the DAD Project to present data, the DAD Project expected outcomes include

- Serving 75 fathers annually (28 fathers enrolled between March and August 2014)
- Increased father's involvement in their children's and partner's lives
- Improved health and wellbeing of fathers enrolled
- Participation of fathers in evidence-based programming and coaching to build parenting skills and improve confidence (24:7 Dad, Parents as Teachers)

5. Grant Period, Timetable and Program Phase-out Plan:

The DAD Project is requesting a long-term, three-year implementation grant of \$400,000 from LIHF and the Wisconsin Partnership Program with a start date of July 1, 2013.

July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016

6. Provide a List of Subgrantees:

University of Wisconsin-Madison
My Father's House (July 2013-Sept. 15, 2014)

7. If Possible, Complete Grant Budget Form and Attach to Back.