

Reply to Common Council File No. 011131

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File No. 011131 is a resolution authorizing the Health Department to apply, accept, and fund the Women, Infant and Children's (WIC) Grant funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the State of Wisconsin Division of Health and Family Services. This is a well-established continuing grant the Health Department has received for several decades.

The WIC program aims to improve the ability of women and children to access healthcare and to eat nutritionally. In particular, this program works to reduce the incidence of low-birth weight and infant mortality. Medical research has shown that poor prenatal care and the lack of a nutrient rich diet during pregnancy can contribute to these outcomes.

As a result of this grant, the Health Department will be able to continue its efforts to promote the health and safety of women and children. The requested grant amount is \$902,347 and requires no matching funding from the City of Milwaukee. The grant period is from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE NO. 011131 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY, ACCEPT AND FUND THE WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN GRANT OFFERED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.


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