

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE      SEPTEMBER 29, 2011      ITEM 5, FILE # 110697**

**File #110697 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 Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development - Division of Economic Support. Prior grant resolutions and amendments are at File Numbers 101069, 100485 and 090249.
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 9/30          | <u>Screenings Provided</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 2006        |                       | 98                         |
| 2007        |                       | 253                        |
| 2008        |                       | 354                        |
| 2009        | (10/1/08 to 6/30, 09) | 220                        |
| 2010        |                       | 668                        |
| 2011        | (projected)           | 525                        |

Note: An earlier estimate for 2011 of 975 screenings was significantly higher than currently projected screening numbers.

**Discussion**

1. This award of \$440,000 from the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development is \$56,000 less (-11.3%) than the current grant of \$496,000. These funds will support screening, immunization and education for an anticipated 800 individuals in a refugee health screening program administered by the Tuberculosis Control Clinic.
2. The grant period will be October 1, 2011, to September 30, 2012.
3. The grantor share is 100% and includes funds to partially support the wages and benefits of 3 existing Public Health Nurse positions. Funding is no longer

budgeted under the grant to partially support a Health Interpreter Aide. The following is a summary of the project budget:

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| Salaries and wages                           |                  |
| 3 Public Health Nurses – partial (grade 666) | \$112,000        |
| Fringe Benefits                              | 56,000           |
| Program Supplies                             | 25,000           |
| Office supplies                              | 10,000           |
| Incentives for Outreach                      | 2,000            |
| Medications                                  | 1,000            |
| Temporary personnel                          | 48,000           |
| Printing and copying                         | 10,000           |
| Postage and shipping                         | 1,000            |
| Travel and training                          | 5,000            |
| Translation services                         | 50,980           |
| Equipment repair and maintenance             | 15,000           |
| Medical tests                                | 50,000           |
| Contractual services (physician services)    | 55,000           |
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| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>\$440,000</b> |

4. Resolution File #110697 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$440,000 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2011 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; to enter into subcontracts and leases; to expend 2011 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 2011.

### **Fiscal Impact**

This proposed \$440,000 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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