

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 16, FILE # 040145

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File # 040145 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Meta House FamilyWorks Project Grant.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Meta House FamilyWorks Project Grant from the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration.
2. This is a continuing grant.

Discussion

1. The purpose of this project is to partner with Meta House Inc. in order to increase its capacity to serve (primarily) African American women and to address the health disparities experienced by this population.
2. Meta House is an independent, non-profit organization that provides an array of services including counseling, health promotion and case management.
3. These grant funds are utilized to address substance abuse and to provide treatment programs among, primarily, African American women.
4. The areas of focus with the city include zip codes 53204, 53206, 53208, 53210, 53215 and 53233 although services may include residents from the entire city.
5. This grant encompasses the period of June 1, 2004 through May 31, 2005. This is the second year of an anticipated three-year grant.
6. In 2003, 4th quarter, the Meta House grant funded weekly women's health education sessions. This project currently is serving 34 clients with a goal of increasing the base by 9 clients each quarter. Services provided on a continuing basis include group counseling, parenting, anger and stress management and safety education.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total amount of this grant is \$500,000, entirely from the grantor.

2. 88% (\$444,275) of this grant is dedicated to the contract with Meta House, to be monitored by the Milwaukee Health Department per federal guidelines for service delivery and health outcomes.
3. This grant will also fund one existing MHD position, *Health Project Coordinator-Meta House*, SG 04 with salary and fringe benefits.

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