

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 10, FILE # 061397

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File # 061397 is a resolution relating to application, acceptance and funding of the Medical Assistance Outreach – VITA Grant.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Medical Assistance Outreach Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Super Sites grant from the Milwaukee Foundation through the Social Development Commission.
2. This is a continuing grant.

Discussion

1. The purpose of this project is to assist low-income families in obtaining medical insurance and food stamps and to measure the impact of MHD programs at three sites, SDC North (North Richards and East Capitol). SDC South (South 9th and West Madison) and SDC offices (6850 N. Teutonia).
2. The strategy to be employed in this program is to create opportunities for low-income families to receive information about important community services, including health care, and for MHD to evaluate its various services and programs at this opportune time.
3. MHD programs, among others, to be evaluated include screening for blood-lead levels and immunizations.
4. This grant period is January 16, 2007 through April 30, 2007.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total amount of this grant is \$15,000, entirely from the grantor.
2. Funds obtained from this grant will be used to fund the existing MHD position of one Public Health Educator for approximately 3.5 months:

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