LRB-FIS CAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 23, FILE # 030665

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File # 030665 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Making Connections Grant.

Background

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Making Connections grant project from the Annie E. Casey Foundation.
- 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 reduce health-related barriers to education and employment through school-linked health services.
- 2. The coordinator directs outreach efforts to the designated "Making Connections" project area. This area is bounded by West Center Street, North 24th Street, West Highland Boulevard and North 47th Street.
- 3. This project area include 13 census tracks including 27,000 Milwaukee residents.
- 4. The project objective is to increase the numbers of eligible individuals and families on Medicaid and BadgerCare to enroll in health-related programs.
- 5. In 2002, 750 families were served under the auspices of this project.
- 6. This grant encompasses the period of January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003.

Fiscal Impact

- 1. The total amount of this grant is \$80,000, entirely from the grantor.
- 2. 81% (\$65,000) will fund the following MHD positions:
 - 1 new Public Health Educator, SG 592
 - 1 Existing Medical Assistance Outreach Coordinator, SG 05, .25 FTE

3. Remaining grant funds will be used for computer equipment and software (\$2,500) and services, including \$4,450, for outreach and education materials.

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