

**LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 12, FILE # 031647**

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File # 031647 is a resolution amending Common Council File # 030668 relative to the application, acceptance and funding of the Early ChildCare Grant.

**Background**

1. This resolution amends Common Council File # 030668 that authorized the Milwaukee Health Department to apply for, accept and fund the Early ChildCare Grant project from the U.S. Department of Health and Family Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. The initial grant approved was for \$496,750 and this amendment adds \$270,610 to the initial grant.
2. This is a continuing grant with this resolution increasing the grantor share.

**Discussion**

1. The purpose of this project is to assure the health and safety of children, birth to five years of age, who attend group licensed childcare centers. This project focuses upon low-income families.
2. MHD is committed to strengthening the connection between the health care community and the childcare providers as a primary objective of this grant.
3. This program works with centers that are participating in the collaborative project of the Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS), Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC) and Milwaukee County in a project called PACES (Partners Acting on the Commitment for Early Success).
4. Public health workers, through the auspices of this grant, work for access in childcare settings, particularly in Milwaukee's central city, as a response to the increasing difficulties of finding children at home during traditional working hours.
5. Approximately 52 daycare sites, with an estimated 3,500 children, are included in this program in years 2003-2004.
6. Program activities include immunizations, health assessments, vision testing and lead poisoning screening to eligible children. These services include the summer, off-school months.
7. Parents receive education, referral and follow-up related to their child's results.

8. This grant encompasses the period of September 1, 2003 through August 31, 2004, which, at that time, will be considered for renewal.

**Fiscal Impact**

1. The total of the original grant was \$496,750, entirely from the grantor.
2. This resolution will authorize the acceptance of an additional \$270,610.
3. This additional funding will enhance/increase the original program budget with the following:

• 1 new Public Health Nurse, SG 666	\$	37,021
• Program and office supplies		5,680
• Printing and copying		7,000
• Travel and training		13,502
• Child health consultant training		7,000
• CPR/First Aid training for child care providers		8,000
• Development of video calendar for child care		10,000
• Wireless access fees		5,760
• Embracing Diversity Conference		15,692
• Outreach for health-related events		15,300
• Contractual services including consultants and program evaluation		115,000
• Computer and health and safety equipment		<u>30,655</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>270,610</b>

4. The amended grant budget total is \$767,360.

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