

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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ITEM 16, # 120244

File Number 120244 is a resolution relating to the application, acceptance and funding of the Seek, Test, Treat: Addressing HIV in the Criminal Justice System Grant from Tulane University.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Seek, Test, Treat: Addressing HIV in the Criminal Justice System (STT) Grant from Tulane University. This is a continuing grant-funded program first authorized by File Number 110579, adopted on September 20, 2011.
2. Tulane University, Wisconsin Department of Corrections, Milwaukee Secure Detention Facility (MSDF), Wisconsin Division of AIDs/HIV and MHD plan to implement and evaluate a comprehensive STT program for detainees in the WI prison system who are released to Milwaukee County.
3. The Milwaukee metropolitan area accounts for nearly 60% of all HIV cases in Wisconsin. The specific objectives of this program are to:
 - Assess the feasibility of, and collect preliminary outcome data for, a comprehensive STT strategy for people released from the WI State prison system to Milwaukee County.
 - Provide HIV testing to individuals entering MSDF (a short-term facility serving approximately 8,000/year).
 - Link newly-identified HIV-positive people released to Milwaukee County to low or no-cost community treatment and case management services.
 - Provide a point-of-entry to “high-risk” HIV-negative persons released from MSDF into high-risk situations and provide important information about the feasibility and effectiveness of seeking out undiagnosed infections in the high-risk social, sexual, and drug use networks of correction-involved persons.
 - Assess the cost and cost-effectiveness for the STT program.

Discussion

1. It is anticipated that funding will be available over a 5-year period ending with grant-year 2014-2015. The grant substantially supports one Communicable Disease Specialist position in the first 4 years; support would be decreased in the final year to about 20% FTE.
2. This grant, entirely grantor-funded, is for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.
3. Funding under the anticipated grant award is the same as provided in the first year and is budgeted as follows:

Personnel

Communicable Disease Specialist (530) \$43,694

Fringe

(50%)	21,847
Miscellaneous Services	
(Cell phone, mileage, training)	3,995
TOTAL	\$69,536

5. The resolution in File #120244 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$69,536 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2012 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
6. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; to expend 2012 budgeted grants 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

The total amount of this grant is \$69,536 and is entirely from the grantor. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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