

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 12, FILE # 060858

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File # 060858 is a resolution relative to application, funding and expenditure of the Refugee Health Screening Grant from the State of Wisconsin – Division of Economic Support.

Background

1. This is a continuing grant that supports the City of Milwaukee Tuberculosis Control Clinic (TBCC) in providing outreach, screening and other public health services to refugees. Funding is provided by the State of Wisconsin Division of Economic Support.
2. Refugees are screened for tuberculosis, hepatitis, lead poisoning, pregnancy, parasites and other enteric diseases. Necessary immunizations are provided. Health care education and information about accessing health care delivery systems are offered.
3. During 2005, individuals from countries with high rates of tuberculosis represented 64% of all new cases reported in the City of Milwaukee.
4. During the previous grant cycle, 242 refugees were screened.

Discussion

1. This proposed award of \$135,500 from the Wisconsin Division of Economic Support will support screening, immunization and education for an anticipated 275 individuals in a refugee health screening program administered by the Tuberculosis Control Clinic.
2. The grant period will be 10/01/06 to 09/30/07.
3. The grantor share is 100% and includes funds for a small portion of the wages and benefits of a Health Interpreter Aide (existing position). Funding is provided for supplies, educational materials other translation services, equipment repair and maintenance and physician contractual services. The following is a summary of the project budget:

Salaries and wages	1 Health Interpreter Aide	\$	704
Fringe Benefits			296
Program Supplies			15,000
Office supplies			7,000
Incentives for Outreach			500
Medications			500
Temporary personnel			10,000
Printing and copying			5,000
Postage and shipping			3,000
Travel and training			10,000

Translation services		25,000
Equipment repair and maintenance		25,000
Medical tests		8,560
Contractual services	Physician services	24,940

Total \$135,500

4. The resolution in File #060858 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$135,500 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2006 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.

5. 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 2006 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 2006.

Fiscal Impact

1. This proposed \$135,500 in non-O&M funding will support continuing activities and services that would not be provided absent such funding. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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