

Reply to Common Council File No. 010647

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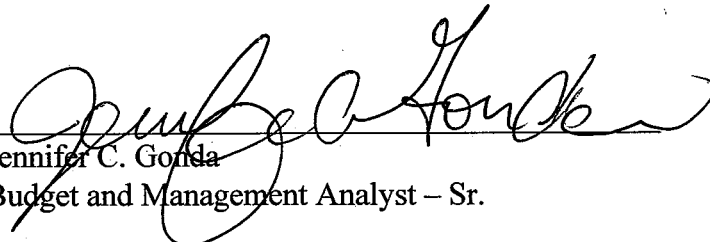
Common Council File No. 010647 is a resolution from the Health Department relative to the application, acceptance and funding of the Pregnancy Prevention Consortium Grant. This continuing grant, funded by the Centers for Disease Control, will allow the Health Department to continue the implementation of programs aimed to prevent initial and repeat teen pregnancies.

The Milwaukee Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Consortium (MAPPC) provides a forum for collaboration among health agencies, parents, teens, schools, elected officials and the faith community to develop and implement a community-wide action plan for the prevention of adolescent pregnancy. The program is now in the implementation phase and member agencies have reported a large increase in coordination of services, undertaking of joint projects, intergroup referrals, and information exchange.

Adolescent childbearing reduces the chances of self-sufficiency for the mother. Additionally, pregnant teens are more at risk for low birth weight, sexually transmitted diseases, substance abuse, child abuse and neglect. This grant directly impacts the Health Department's ability to achieve its maternal and child health goals.

This is the last year of a 7-year demonstration project, scheduled to end in the fall of 2002. The requested grant amount is \$324,477, with no city match required. The Health Department will try to sustain the consortium through local and public foundations once the grant funding is no longer available. The grant period is September 30, 2001 through September 29, 2002.

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE NO. 010647 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE MILWAUKEE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND FUND THE PREGNANCY PREVENTION CONSORTIUM GRANT.**

  
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