

Reply to Common Council File No. 011077

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File No. 011 077 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Grant offered by the State of Wisconsin, Division of Health and Family Services. The grant funds positions and services that support the daily operation of the mobile mammography van.

In Wisconsin, nearly 950 women die from Breast and Cervical Cancer each year. Many of these deaths could have been averted if the person had been screened for presence of the disease. Access to screening is often difficult for the poor, elderly and minorities. The high cost of the test for women who are uninsured or have a high deductible also creates a barrier to effective screening.

The Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening program directly supports the strategic goal of the City to improve Public Health and the Health Department goal to improve the health of women and children. The grant will work to reduce mortality from breast and cervical cancer by increasing the number of low-income and under-served women 50 years of age and older who are routinely screened, and by improving the quality of screening, referral and follow-up on patients. The grant is in the amount of \$131,736 and does not require any matching city funds. The grant period is from October 1 2001, through September 30, 2002.

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE NO. 011077 WHICH ALLOWS THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY, ACCEPT AND FUND THE BREAST AND CERVICAL CANCER SCREEING GRANT OFFERED BY THE STATE OF WISCONSIN DIVISION OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES.**



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