



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
October 11, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
 Submitted by: Lisa Warhuus, Director, Health, Housing, and Community Services
 Subject: Revenue Grant Agreement: Funding Support from the State of California
 Women, Infant, Children Program

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to submit a grant agreement to the State of California, to accept the grants, and execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments to conduct public health promotion, protection, and prevention services for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program in the projected total amount of \$1,810,197 for Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2023 through 2025.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The City of Berkeley will receive funds in the estimated amount of \$1,810,197 from the State of California, Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program for FFY 2023 through FFY 2025. The contract will be assigned a contract number. The grant funding will be deposited in the Health (General) Grant Fund 312 (Revenue Budget Code is 312-51-506-562-2061-000-000-432110-). There is no match required and this contract is expected to be for \$603,399 each year for Federal Fiscal Years 2023 through 2025.

Spending of these grant funds is subject to Council approval of the budget and the Annual Appropriations Ordinances each fiscal year. Depending on the timing of when grants are officially awarded and the amounts are determined, the grant budget will be adjusted as part of a future amendment to the FY 2023 Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The State of California-funded WIC program is a Strategic Plan Priority Project, advancing our goal to create a resilient, safe, connected, and prepared city, champion and demonstrate social and racial equity and be a customer-focused organization that provides excellent, timely, easily-accessible service and information to the community. The Health, Housing and Community Services Department (HHCS) provides a broad range of public health and community health services in Berkeley; with the goals of achieving health equity, promoting healthy environments and behaviors, protecting residents from disease, and preventing illness, disability, and premature death.

BACKGROUND

The City of Berkeley receives funding from many sources annually to complete activities to improve the health of the community. As a local health jurisdiction, the City is entitled to specific State funding to meet core public health objectives. HHCS' Public Health Division (HHCS/PHD) is committed to providing essential services to the community to prevent the spread of disease and to promote healthy environments.

The State of California WIC grant contributes to the Department's work towards improving the health of our community by mitigating the negative health effects of poor nutrition among low income women, infants and children by providing nutritious foods to supplement diets, information on healthy eating, breastfeeding support and referrals to health care services.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

There are no identifiable environmental effects or opportunities associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

These funds support vital services related to our mandates as a public health jurisdiction and local initiatives designed to address health inequities in Berkeley and improve the health of Berkeley residents. This grant supports the Department's mission and provides the City with funding to continue working to protect and improve the health of the community.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

This funding is essential for HHCS/PHD's mission and goals. The alternative action of not seeking any of these funding sources would result in a significant reduction in public health services to the community

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Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

GRANT AGREEMENT: STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Department of Health, Housing & Community Services, Public Health Division (HHCS/PHD), is committed to providing nutritious foods to supplement inadequate diets, nutrition education, and referrals to health care for pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk; and

WHEREAS, HHCS provides a broad range of needed public health program services to the community; and

WHEREAS, HHCS works to promote healthy environments and behaviors, protect residents from disease, and prevent illness, disability, and premature death; and

WHEREAS, HHCS seeks to achieve health equity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley should seek outside funding wherever possible to fund vital health services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized to accept State of California funding for federal fiscal years 2023 through 2025 for the Women, Infants and Children program: to provide nutritious foods to supplement inadequate diets, nutrition education, and referrals to health care for pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk; execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments; and implement the projects and appropriation of funding in the estimated amount of \$1,810,197 for related expenses. Budget Codes (Revenue): 312-51-506-562-2061-000-000-432110-; (Expenditure) 312-51-506-562-2061-000-451-various; A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments shall be on file in the office of the City Clerk.

