



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

May 9, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: Lisa Warhuus, Director of Health, Housing, and Community Services

Subject: Revenue Grant Agreements: Funding Support from Essential Access Health to Conduct Public Health Services

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to submit a grant application to Essential Access Health, to accept the grant, execute any resultant revenue agreement and amendment, and implement the projects and appropriation of funding for related expenses to conduct public health promotion, protection, and prevention services for the Essential Access Health revenue agreement in the projected amount of \$180,000 for April 1, 2023 to March 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The City will receive funds in the estimated amount of \$180,000 from the Essential Access Health for the period April 1, 2023 – March 30, 2024. The \$180,000 allocation will be deposited and expensed from the C.F.P Title X Fund. There are no matching funds required by the funder.

Spending of the referenced grant funds is subject to Council approval of the budget and the Annual Appropriations Ordinances. Depending on the timing of when grants are officially awarded and the amounts are determined, the grant budgets will be adjusted as part of the First Amendment to the FY 2024 Annual Appropriations Ordinance.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Services rendered through Essential Access Title X funding is a Strategic Plan Project, advancing our goal to champion and demonstrate social and racial equity and to be a customer-focused organization that provides excellent, timely, and easily-accessible services and information to the community. As a local health jurisdiction, the City of Berkeley provides a broad range of public health programs and services to the community; with the goals of addressing health inequities, promoting healthy environments and behaviors, protecting residents from disease, and preventing illness, disability, and premature death. Grant funds will support clinical reproductive health services, as well as individual and community health education and outreach activities at the Berkeley High School Health Center and the Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center (the High School Health Centers).

Essential Access Health is the administrator for California's Title X federal family planning funds to provide clinical reproductive health services and education at the High School Health Centers. Federal Title X Funds are given to a non-profit agency, Essential Access Health, and are then dispersed to local health jurisdictions throughout the State through a competitive grant process. The funds are used to support clinical reproductive health services, as well as individual and community health education and outreach activities at the aforementioned sites.

BACKGROUND

The City of Berkeley receives funding from many sources annually to complete work related to improving the health of the community. As a local health jurisdiction, the City is committed to exploring opportunities for funding to support key initiatives to augment base funding resources. The Public Health Division in the Health, Housing, and Community Services Department (PHD/HHCS) is committed to providing essential services to the community, including clinical reproductive health services and education and outreach, to prevent the spread of disease and to promote healthy environments.

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 mission of HHCS/PHD and provides the City with funding to continue working to protect and improve the health of the community.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Staff did not identify an alternative action consistent with the City's goals of advancing public health and social and racial equity.

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Attachments:

- 1: Resolution

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

REVENUE GRANT: ESSENTIAL ACCESS HEALTH FOR CLINICAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES AND HEALTH EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley Department of Health, Housing & Community Services, Public Health Division (HHCS/PHD), is committed to providing comprehensive clinical reproductive health services to individuals of reproductive age to plan their pregnancies and prevent and reduce sexually transmitted infections; and

WHEREAS, preconception/inter-conception care and education is a key part of family planning services; and

WHEREAS, adolescents benefit from teen specific counseling and education; and

WHEREAS, HHCS through Title X funds, will provide reproductive health services and education at the Berkeley High School Health Center and Berkeley Technology Academy Health Center; and

WHEREAS, HHCS seeks to eliminate health and educational inequities; and

WHEREAS, the projected amount of the grant is \$180,000; 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 submit a grant application to Essential Access Health for April 1, 2023 – March 30, 2024 to support clinical reproductive health services, as well as individual and community health education and outreach activities; to accept the grant funds; execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments in line with the grant award, which may be larger or smaller than the projected award of \$180,000; and implement the projects and appropriation of funding for related expenses, subject to securing the grant. Funds will be deposited and expensed from the C.F.P Title X Fund. A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments shall be on file in the office of the City Clerk.

