

# **CITY OF LONG BEACH**

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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August 6, 2013

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents and any subsequent amendments between the California Department of Public Health Tuberculosis Control Branch and the City of Long Beach to receive grant funding in the amount of \$211,376 and an allotment of up to \$12,727, for a combined total amount of \$224,103, for tuberculosis prevention and control activities for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

As a local health jurisdiction, the City of Long Beach Department of Health & Human Services (Health Department) receives Tuberculosis (TB) Control Local Assistance Funding to meet the critical mandate of TB control. These funds have been used to support core public health TB control through preventive therapy, diagnosis and treatment of active TB disease, and to conduct contact investigations to limit the spread of the disease. The Food, Shelter, Incentives and Enablers (FSIE) allotment is used to enhance treatment adherence, prevent homelessness, and allow the use of less restrictive alternatives that decrease or prevent the need for civil detention.

The California Department of Public Health, TB Control Branch, has granted the Health Department a base award of \$211,376 and an allotment of up to \$12,727 for FSIE expenditures. These funds are being awarded to carry out tuberculosis prevention and control activities for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

TB is a severe health threat globally. According to the World Health Organization, approximately one-third of the world's population is infected with the bacteria that cause TB. In 2009, approximately 9.4 million people became ill with the disease and an estimated 1.7 million people died. The latest surveillance data shows that TB cases in the Long Beach health jurisdiction have been increasing. In 2011, there were 29 reported TB cases, 1,627 TB referrals and 334 TB contacts in the City of Long Beach. In 2012, we had 34 reported TB cases, 2,102 TB referrals and 520 TB contacts. So far, in 2013 (January – May, 2013), we have had 19 reported TB cases, 834 TB referrals and 416 TB contacts.

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This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on July 2, 2013 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on July 24, 2013.

### TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on August 6, 2013, to continue the program without interruption.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant revenues in the amount of \$224,103 to offset expenditures of the same amount from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Sufficient funds are included in the FY 14 Proposed Budget in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). There is no City match, no impact to the General Fund, and no local job impact associated with the recommended action.

#### SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN PRICE ACTING DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**APPROVED:** 

RICK H. WEST MANAGER ITY