



CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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April 17, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary agreements, and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and the Los Angeles County Proposition 10 Commission – First 5 LA in an amount not to exceed \$172,964 to augment the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services Black Infant Health program for the period of July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013.
(Citywide)

DISCUSSION

On July 29, 2009, the California Department of Public Health, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division officially notified local MCAH Directors advising them that the State General Fund support to the MCAH and Black Infant Health (BIH) programs had been eliminated as part of the Governor's Budget Act amendment. In response, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors formally requested that the Los Angeles County Proposition 10 Commission - First 5 LA provide funding support to all BIH programs located in the County, including Long Beach. On April 14, 2011, the Los Angeles County Proposition 10 Commission - First 5 LA approved funding for three additional years beginning July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. Current funding for the City of Long Beach BIH Program is scheduled to end on June 30, 2012.

With this extension, the Health Department will continue to conduct a community-based BIH Program to improve early access to care and supportive services, maintenance of health before, during and after pregnancy, and increase social support and empowerment to improve the health status of African American women and their infants. Program staff will provide culturally competent information to African American women, health care providers and the community to educate them on the importance of early entry into prenatal care, continued participation in prenatal care, and the importance of interconception care.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on March 26, 2012 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on March 29, 2012.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on April 17, 2012 in order to continue the program without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive an increase in grant revenues of \$172,964 for the grant period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. Sufficient funds have been budgeted as part of the FY13 budget process. There is no City match, no impact on the General Fund, and no net job impact associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:


Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER