



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

**C-14**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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July 16, 2019

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
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## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32789, and any subsequent amendments including amending the terms, extending the grant period, or increasing grant amounts, with Los Angeles County for the Nurse Family Partnership Program, to receive and expend grant funding in the amount of up to \$125,952, for the period of one year, with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

Since 2011, the Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) has received funding from Los Angeles County Department of Public Health for the Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) Program. The NFP Program works with women who are considered to have high-risk pregnancies (e.g., teen pregnancy, living in poverty, first-time pregnant), who experience barriers to receiving adequate prenatal care including inappropriate social functioning and parental behaviors with the goal of improving pregnancy outcomes, improving child health and development, and improving the mother's life course. Objectives of the program include the prevention of child abuse and neglect, reduction in premature births and low birthweight, reduction in substance abuse, alcohol use and smoking during pregnancy, and improvement of breast-feeding rates. Objectives also include reducing the number of children's health care encounters for injuries and ingestion of poisons from birth through the child's second birthday, increasing the number of labor force participation by mothers by the first child's fourth birthday, improving graduation rates and/or increasing employment of the mothers served by the program, and reducing subsequent pregnancies among low-income, unmarried women by the first child's fourth birthday.

The NFP Program uses specially trained public health nurses (PHNs) who provide services in accordance with NFP-National Service Office protocols and policies, and also perform health assessments, case management, and referrals to needed services.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on June 26, 2019 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on June 27, 2019.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on July 16, 2019, to continue the program without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant funding of \$125,952 for a one-year period. Sufficient funding is currently budgeted in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department, offset by grant revenues. No match or in-kind service mandate is required. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

**SUGGESTED ACTION:**

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

  
PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER