



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any subsequent amendments including changing the terms, extending the grant period, or increasing grant amounts, with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive and expend grant funding in the amount of \$4,100,000, for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program, for the period of May 1, 2019 through October 31, 2022; and

Increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE) by \$868,391 in revenues and \$609,800 in expenditures, offset by reimbursement revenue. (Citywide)

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded funding to the Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control (LBPHC) Program. The award totals \$4,100,000 in grant funds over three and a half years, and requires a City match of \$560,472, which is being met using in-kind services with existing staff. This funding will contribute to controlling or removing lead-based paint and other housing-based health hazards (such as mold, open electrical boxes, trip-and-fall hazards) in the City and builds on the success of seven previous LBPHC HUD-funded grants administered by the Health Department since 1994. These funds will also assist in retaining existing Health Department staff, as well as support private lead remediation and painting contractors who will likely retain or generate new jobs in Long Beach.

The LBPHC Program will provide lead-based paint hazard control services to 200 units of pre-1978 constructed affordable housing throughout Long Beach. The Program focuses on the areas of highest need, specifically zip codes 90802, 90804, 90805, 90806, 90810, and 90813. These regions contain a disproportionately high percentage of children with elevated blood-lead levels, older housing stock, and a high-percentage of low-income families.

Program services will include health education, outreach, training in lead-safe work practices (to increase employability of local area unemployed and/or low-income individuals), and relocation services for affected residents. Additionally, the Health Department will provide these services to families regardless of their location within the City when a child is reported to the Health Department to have an elevated blood-lead level.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary J. Anderson on March 28, 2019 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on March 29, 2019.

City Council action is requested on April 16, 2019 as funding for this program is available as

of May 1, 2019.

The City will receive grant revenues of \$4,100,000 to offset expenditures of the same amount. This funding covers direct and indirect costs associated with this grant. The total cost of the LBPHC Program, including the City match over three and half years, is estimated at \$4,660,472. The City's match of \$560,472 is obtained from the Health Fund (SR 130), and there is no impact on the General Fund. Due to existing appropriation, the Health Department is requesting an appropriation increase of \$868,391 in revenues and \$609,800 in expenditures in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE), offset by reimbursement revenue. It is anticipated that this funding will create additional jobs in the community through lead abatement subcontracts.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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