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City of Long Beach

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and all necessary documents and any subsequent amendments, including amending the terms, or changing the amount of the award, with the County of Los Angeles, to accept and expend grant funding in the amount of \$145,000, for the Interjurisdictional Collaborative Program, for a one-year period estimated to begin on July 1, 2020, with the option to extend the agreement for three additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

Long Beach is a recognized leader in addressing homelessness in a systematic and coordinated way. The Interjurisdictional Collaborative Program, formerly known as the Interdepartmental Team Program, is a Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) Homelessness Services Division (HSD) and Long Beach Police Department (LBPD) program that further enhances Long Beach's approach to homelessness and establishes best practices and procedures for reducing the impacts of street homelessness.

This program will increase Long Beach's capacity to incorporate multiple departments within the City and County to expand and enhance the expertise in responding to street homelessness. Staff members funded by this grant will coordinate with various programs including the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD), Priority Access Diversion (PAD), Long Beach Metro and the Long Beach Justice Lab. The Long Beach Fire Department, Department of Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Marine Department, and the City Attorney's Office are also a part of the program.

This grant will partially fund two existing positions; a Homeless Liaison Officer (HLO) from the LBPD and a Homeless Resource Coordinator in HSD to meet the goals and objectives of the grant. This includes increasing interjurisdictional collaboration, research on outreach effectiveness, and a best practice report on the Interjurisdictional Collaborative's approach to homelessness. The HLO is funded for straight time and limited overtime but excludes benefits. The Homeless Resource Coordinator is funded for 20 percent of this person's fully loaded costs.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on June 1, 2020 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on June 6, 2020.

City Council action is requested on June 23, 2020, to continue to provide these services without interruption.

The City will receive grant funding in the amount of \$145,000 for a one-year period.

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Sufficient funds are currently budgeted in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department, offset by grant revenue. The grant has no match requirement. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

KELLY COLOPY DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA ACTING CITY MANAGER