



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary agreements, and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and The California Endowment to accept funding in the amount of \$200,000, for the period of March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2018, for the Long Beach Health Equity Framework Plan; and,

Increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE) by \$200,000. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The City has adopted a series of health, violence prevention, and general plan policies to address health equity and the vast disparities across the City in poverty, life expectancy, education and availability of open space. The Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) seeks to facilitate Citywide efforts that leverage resources, skills and accomplishments to improve population health.

Using funds from The California Endowment, the Health Department will establish a Long Beach Health Equity Framework aimed at integrating various Department and Citywide efforts on health equity. The process will include conducting an internal organizational policy and procedure assessment to determine pathways towards integrating a health equity lens into daily operations and implementing a health equity framework into Health Department strategic partnership efforts.

This process will train and build health equity knowledge and capacity among agency staff, develop a Long Beach Health Equity Framework and work with external partners to support a Citywide health equity platform.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on February 9, 2016 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on February 10, 2016.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this item is requested on March 1, 2016, as the agreement must be accepted and signed prior to March 7, 2016.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total amount of the agreement is \$200,000 for the period of March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2018. The project is not budgeted; therefore, an appropriation increase for this amount in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE) is included in the recommendation. No match or in-kind service mandate is required. To meet grant requirements and objectives, one new position will be hired for this program.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER