



Legislation Text

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Dept/ Agency: Health and Community Wellness

Action: (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Application/Acceptance of Grant Funds

Purpose: To demonstrate the effectiveness of local government implementation of evidence-based health literacy strategies that are culturally appropriate to enhance COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and/or other mitigation measures (e.g., public health prevention practices and vaccination) in racial and ethnic minority populations and other socially vulnerable populations.

Entity Name: United States Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Minority Health

Entity Address: Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W, Washington, D.C. 20201

Grant Amount: \$3,875,000.00

Funding Source: United States Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Minority Health

Total Project Cost: \$4,112,359.00

City Contribution: \$237,359.00 (In-Kind Matching Funds)

Other Funding Source/Amount: \$0.00

Contract Period: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023

Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS

() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ

() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () N/A

Additional Information:

A match of municipal funds or its equivalent of In-Kind City resources in the amount of \$237,359.00 is required for receipt or acceptance of this grant award.

WHEREAS, the City of Newark's (hereinafter, "City") Department of Health and Community Wellness (hereinafter, "DHCW") provides medical care services pursuant to and consistent with the Health Center Program laws and regulations (including Section 330 of Public Health Services Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 254b and 42 C.F.R. § 51c.301, et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Health and Human Services/Health Resources and Services Administration has made grant funds available for the provision of these services; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2021, on behalf of the City, the Director of the DHCW submitted an application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services/Health Resources and Services Administration (hereinafter, "HRSA"), Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W, Washington, D.C. 20201, requesting grant funding in the amount of Four Million Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,000,000.00), to demonstrate the effectiveness of local government implementation of evidence-based health literacy strategies that are culturally appropriate to enhance COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and/or other mitigation measures (e.g., public health prevention practices and vaccination) in racial and ethnic minority populations and other socially vulnerable populations in the City of Newark and surrounding areas (a copy of the grant application is attached

hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, as a result of the City's grant application, on April 20, 2021, the Office of Minority Health (OMH) awarded the City of Newark a grant in the amount of Three Million Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$3,875,000.00), to demonstrate the effectiveness of local government implementation of evidence-based health literacy strategies that are culturally appropriate to enhance COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and/or other mitigation measures (e.g., public health prevention practices and vaccination) in racial and ethnic minority populations and other socially vulnerable populations in the City of Newark and surrounding areas for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 (a copy of the Notice of Award is attached hereto and made a part hereof); and

WHEREAS, the Director of the DHCW desires to accept said grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark recognizes that the Office of Minority Health may extend the time of the grant award and/or provide additional funds when it becomes available; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Minority Health may amend the grant to reflect any time extension and/or increase or decrease of grant funds, as appropriate and which shall be subject to approval by the Municipal Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the terms of this grant award may only be waived or amended by the parties duly authorized to execute the grant, subject to the approval of the Municipal Council by resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Mayor of the City of Newark and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness, are hereby authorized to submit a grant application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Minority Health, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201, requesting grant funding in the amount of Four Million Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,000,000.00), to demonstrate the effectiveness of local government implementation of evidence-based health literacy strategies that are culturally appropriate to enhance COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and/or other mitigation measures (e.g., public health prevention practices and vaccination) in racial and ethnic minority populations and other socially vulnerable populations in the City of Newark and surrounding areas.
2. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies its authorization of this grant application from the date of application's submission to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
3. The resulting grant award in the amount of Three Million Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$3,875,000.00), from the United States Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Minority Health is hereby accepted (a copy of the Notice of Award is attached hereto and made a part hereof).
4. The Mayor of the City of Newark and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness, are hereby authorized to file the electronic acceptance necessary

to accept the grant award.

5. The Municipal Council hereby ratifies the acceptance of this grant award from the date that the electronic acceptance was filed to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
6. The Mayor of the City of Newark and/or his designee, the Director of the Department of Health and Community Wellness, are hereby authorized to receive and expend the grant award to demonstrate the effectiveness of local government implementation of evidence-based health literacy strategies that are culturally appropriate to enhance COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and/or other mitigation measures (e.g., public health prevention practices and vaccination) in racial and ethnic minority populations and other socially vulnerable populations in the City of Newark and surrounding areas for the period commencing on July 1, 2021 and terminating on June 30, 2023 (a copy of the Notice of Award is attached hereto and made a part hereof).
7. The DHCW shall, upon any extension of time of the grant and/or upon any increase or decrease of the grant funds, submit to the Municipal Council for its consideration an amending resolution reflecting the final time and amount of the awarded grant.
- 8 Matching funds for this grant in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Zero Cents (\$237,359.00) shall be in the form of In-Kind Services provided by the personnel from the Department of Health and Community Wellness, Division of Health Education and Community Engagement.

STATEMENT

This Resolution authorizes and ratifies the actions taken by the Mayor of the City of Newark and/or his designee, the Director of Health and Community Wellness, to apply for and accept grant funds in the amount of \$3,875,000.00, from the United States Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Minority Health, to demonstrate the effectiveness of local government implementation of evidence-based health literacy strategies that are culturally appropriate to enhance COVID-19 testing, contact tracing and/or other mitigation measures (e.g., public health prevention practices and vaccination) in racial and ethnic minority populations and other socially vulnerable populations in the City of Newark and surrounding areas. No municipal matching funds need to be expended for this agreement except In-Kind Services in the amount of \$237,359.00 to be provided by City personnel.