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STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Clark County Public Health

DATE: November 12, 2013

SPECIFIC REQUEST: Clark County Board of County Commissioners' approval to apply for a Home Visiting Service Account (HVSA) grant with Thrive by Five. Further authorize the Public Health Director to sign the application, the contract, if awarded, and amendments. Public Health is planning to apply for \$50,000 under this grant.

PUBLIC HEALTH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 – Ensure public safety and increase community resilience | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 – Link public health, primary care, behavioral health, oral health, and community resources in alignment with health care reform |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 – Increase opportunities for healthy living | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 – Demonstrate excellence in local public health practice and management |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 – Increase opportunities for every child to have a healthy start | <input type="checkbox"/> Other - Social Justice |

BACKGROUND

Consistent with Strategic Initiatives 2 and 3, Clark County Public Health (CCPH) provides the Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) program to first time mothers throughout Clark County. NFP is an evidence-based program that improves pregnancy outcomes, child health and development, and economic self-sufficiency for the family. Research by the RAND Corporation estimates Nurse Family Partnership can return up to \$5.70 for each \$1 spent on the program.

In 2010, the WA State Legislature created the Home Visiting Services Account (HVSA). HVSA leverages state and federal home visiting funds by matching them with private investments raised by Thrive by Five Washington (Thrive) to increase the availability of high-quality evidence-based, research-based home visiting programs that:

- Enhance child development and well-being by alleviating the effects on child development of poverty and other known risk factors
- Reduce the incidence of child abuse and neglect
- Promote school readiness for young children and their families

Thrive by Five recently announced a competitive bid process for HVSA funding for calendar year 2014. If awarded funds, CCPH will be able to re-apply in future years, through a non-competitive process. The grant requires funds be used for Critical Sustainability and/or Expansion.

CCPH is requesting funds for Critical Sustainability of our NFP program. These funds will allow us to provide services in areas of highest need and is one step in continued efforts to seek a variety of funding sources for NFP services throughout the County. Critical sustainability means two things:

- 1) The NFP program holds promise for transformed lives, and for cost savings in law enforcement, child protection, and education. In order for this to happen, CCPH needs to provide NFP services to meet the needs of enough first time mothers in Clark County to make a difference.
- 2) The NFP program in Clark County needs to have sustainable funding, ideally from a blend of funding sources.

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*Prevent disease * Promote healthy choices * Protect food, water and air * Prepare for emergencies*

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Nurse Family Partnership is well integrated in the community. For example, NFP staff collaborate with the school districts' teen parent programs, working to ensure pregnant and parenting teens graduate. Referrals to NFP come from a wide variety of sources including prenatal providers, Medicaid managed care plans, juvenile justice, school nurses, teen parenting classes, and the Women, Infants and Children program (W.I.C.).

HEALTH EQUITY

Nurse Family Partnership addresses the root causes of individual health inequity for both the first time mother and her child by providing options for overcoming barriers that prevent optimal health. NFP helps mothers to build resiliency and self-sufficiency, learn critical parenting skills such as child safety, bonding/attachment and how to help their baby learn. The program increases healthy birth outcomes, prevents childhood abuse and neglect and builds school readiness.

ACTION REQUESTED

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BUDGET AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

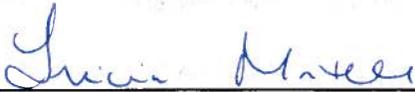
This funding is not included in our current biennial budget. If awarded, the funding period is January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 with the possibility of renewing for subsequent years. In the event the grant is awarded, the revenue will be added during an upcoming supplemental budgeting process.

FISCAL IMPACT

- Yes (see attached form)

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CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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FISCAL IMPACT ATTACHMENT

Part I: Narrative Explanation

I. A – Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information.

Part II: Estimated Revenues

| Fund #/Title | Current Biennium | | Next Biennium | | Second Biennium | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| | GF | Total | GF | Total | GF | Total |
| 1025 / Thrive by Five Revenue | | 50,000 | | | | |
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| Total | | 50,000 | | | | |

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.) Grant revenue provided through private funding, Thrive by Five.

Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III. A – FTE Expenditures

| Fund #/Title | FTE's | Current Biennium | | Next Biennium | | Second Biennium | |
|----------------------|-------|------------------|--------|---------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| | | GF | Total | GF | Total | GF | Total |
| 1025 / Public Health | | | 50,000 | | | | |
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| Total | | | 50,000 | | | | |

III. B – Expenditure by object category

| Fund #/Title | Current Biennium | | Next Biennium | | Second Biennium | |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| | GF | Total | GF | Total | GF | Total |
| Salary | | 48,800 | | | | |
| Fringe | | | | | | |
| Supplies | | | | | | |
| Travel | | | | | | |
| Other controllables | | 1,200 | | | | |
| Capital Outlays | | | | | | |
| Inter-fund Transfers | | | | | | |
| Debt Service | | | | | | |
| Total | | 50,000 | | | | |

