Legislation Text

File #: 22-5333, **Version:** 1

Department: Public Health Services
Department Head/Elected Official: Barbie L. Robinson, MPP, JD, CHC – Executive Director

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA
Type of Request: Grant

Project ID (if applicable)**:** FY23_WIC_ADMIN, FY23_WIC_RD, FY23_WIC_PC, FY23_WIC_LS
Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable)**:** Texas Department of State Health Services

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable)**:** N/A
MWDBE Current Achievement (if applicable): N/A
Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal not applicable to request

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):
Request by Public Health Services for approval to accept from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission grant funds in the amount of $8,134,393, with no required match, for the 2022-23 Women, Infants and Children Program, and extend 99 associated positions to September 30, 2023.

Background and Discussion:
The WIC Grant is awarded annually with a fiscal year beginning October 1 through September 30. The WIC Program provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support and education, supplemental foods, and referrals to social service programs to eligible participants. Typical expenses include, salaries, temporary staff, fees and services, supplies, rent for lease payments, etc.

Expected Impact:
Since its beginning in 1974, the WIC Program has earned the reputation of being one of the most successful federally funded nutrition programs in the United States. Studies have found WIC to have a positive effect on children's diet and diet-related outcomes such as an increase in diet nutrient density, improved infant feeding practices, improved cognitive development and improved rates of childhood immunization of patients who participate in WIC.

Alternative Options:
This program provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support and education, supplemental foods and referrals to social service programs for 40,000 Harris County residents every month. There are no alternatives for this program due to its size and scope.

Alignment with Goal(s):

_ Justice and Safety

_ Economic Opportunity
_ Housing
X Public Health
_ Transportation
_ Flooding
_ Environment
_ Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any)**:**

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
02/22/2022	176	Grant Award Amendment
09/28/2021	153	Grant Award

Location:
Address (if applicable): N/A
Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name	WIC Program		
	SFY 22	**FY 23**	**Next 3 FYs**
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures		$6,507,514.40	
Non-Labor Expenditures		$1,626,878.60	
Total Incremental Expenditures		**$8,134,393.00**	
Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Existing Budget			
Total Current Budget			
Additional Budget Requested			
Grant		$8,134,393.00	
		$	
		$	
Total Additional Budget Requested		$8,134,393.00	
Total Funding Sources		**$8,134,393.00**	
Personnel(Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			

Current Position Count for Service		-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel		**-**	**-**

Anticipated Court Date: September 13, 2022

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): September 24, 2022

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

Contact(s) name, title, department: Mary Durrette, WIC Director, Public Health Services

Attachments (if applicable)**:** Notice of Award, Internal Signature Page, 3441 Forms, Court Order