



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: December 3, 2024
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Mouhanad Hammami, Director
Director(s) Public Health Department (805) 681-5102
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SUBJECT: HIV Prevention Program Grant Agreement with California Department of Public Health

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: No

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute Grant Agreement Number 24-10524 with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to accept funding for the High-Impact HIV Prevention and Surveillance Programs in the amount not to exceed \$412,076 for the period of August 1, 2024 through May 31, 2029;
- b) Approve and authorize the Public Health Director, or designee, to make any required certifications and to change the Project Representative in accordance with Grant Agreement Number 24-10524;
- c) Approve and authorize the Public Health Director to execute any future amendments to Grant Agreement Number 24-10524 including changes to the Statement of Work provided that the amendment does not exceed ten percent (10%) (\$41,207.60) of the total agreement amount, upon review and concurrence by the Auditor-Controller's Office, Risk Management, and County Counsel's Office, subject to the Board's ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and
- d) Determine that the recommended actions are not a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and are exempt per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4) since the recommended actions are creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities that do not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda for approval and authorization to execute the HIV Prevention Grant Agreement Number 24-10524 with CDPH to accept funding in the amount of \$412,076 from August 1, 2024 through May 31, 2029. This agreement will allow the HIV Program to provide services to identify individuals unaware of their HIV-positive status and provide information on HIV care and treatment as an effective prevention strategy.

Background:

The purpose of this funding is to provide services consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funding PS24-0047 High-Impact HIV Prevention and Surveillance Programs for Health Departments.

The funds must be used for evidence based public health activities to address HIV Prevention within Santa Barbara County. The scope of work for these funds is limited to the following activities outlined in the CDPH Office of AIDS Guide to HIV prevention strategies:

- **Status Neutral Approach:** A status-neutral approach to care means that regardless of HIV status, people have access and support to stay on highly effective public health interventions like HIV PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis) and HIV treatment.
- **Syndemic Approach:** Sexually transmitted infections, viral hepatitis, injection drug use, and HIV are interacting epidemics, or syndemics, that can be addressed using similar strategies.
- **Health Equity:** Health is central to human happiness and well-being and is affected by where people live, learn, work, and play. Health equity is when everyone has the opportunity to be as healthy as possible.
- **Innovative HIV Testing Strategies, including HIV Self-Testing:** The mass distribution of HIV self-test kits is one strategy to increase awareness of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections.

Performance Measure:

Performance measures will be identified by the CPDH Office of AIDS and progress reporting will be submitted bi-annually.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal	\$ 71,048.00	\$ 85,257.00	
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 71,048.00	\$ 85,257.00	\$ -

Executing Grant Agreement Number 24-10524 with CDPH will allow the Public Health Department to continue providing HIV Prevention services from August 1, 2024 through May 31, 2029. HIV Prevention funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Adopted Budget, and will be budgeted for each of the remaining years of the agreement.

Key Contract Risks:

PHD has a long-standing contractual relationship with the CDPH. Funding for this agreement is made available from CDC funding issued to CDPH.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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Special Instructions:

Please execute two original agreements and return one (1) original Standard Agreement and one (1) Certified Minute Order to Public Health, Contracts Unit at phdcu@sbcphd.org when available for pickup.

Attachments: HIV Prevention Program State Grant Agreement Number 24-10524

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