



Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Grant

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Background



- The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program provides services to pregnant, post-partum, breastfeeding women, and children less than 5 years old, including access to healthy food, breastfeeding support, health screenings, and referrals.
- Services are provided at 10 WIC Clinics located throughout San Antonio, as well as through a WIC Mobile unit that provides services in the community and at local hospitals, health clinics, schools, and WIC stores.
- On February 22, 2024, City Council authorized approval of Metro Health's annual state and federal pass-through grant awards for FY 2025 through the DSHS "Mega Memo".
- City Council authorized an amount up to \$6,718,373.00 for the WIC Local Agency grant contract.
- On July 2, 2024, Metro Health received an award in the amount of \$7,328,721.00 from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

Background



- Additional grant funding supports:
 - Additional positions and operating expenses for the San Antonio Lactation Support Center due to grant ending August 31, 2024
 - Program participation in the USDA Initiative, Summer Food Meal Program beginning June through August 2025
 - Special projects which support high risk counseling, obesity prevention, and breastfeeding initiatives

Fiscal Impact



- Authorize an increase to the personnel complement for the WIC Local Agency Grant from 73 to 80 positions:
 - Beginning September 1, 2024: Transition two existing positions from the San Antonio Lactation Support grant
 - Beginning October 1, 2024: Add five new positions
- Authorize the acceptance of funds from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission in an amount up to \$610,348.00:
 - Term: October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025
 - Total Award: \$7,328,721.00
- There is no fiscal impact to the City's General Fund in the form of a cash match

Recommendation



- Staff recommends approval





Thank You
End of Presentation