

CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Clark County Public Health (CCPH)

CCPH SR2015-1575

DATE: November 3, 2015

REQUESTED ACTION:

Clark County Board of Councilors approval to submit a grant application to the Syringe Access Fund and authorization for the Public Health Director to sign the grant application, execute the grant agreement, if awarded, and amendments. This grant would provide additional funding for supplies at the Harm Reduction Center. If approved, up to \$75,000 would be available over a 24-month grant period.

XX Consent ___ Hearing ___ County Manager

BACKGROUND

This grant funding is consistent with Public Health's Strategic Initiatives to ensure public safety, increase community resilience and to increase opportunities for healthy living including our mission to prevent disease. The Harm Reduction Center houses our syringe services program. These services include HIV and Hepatitis C screening, Hepatitis A and B vaccinations, and providing sterile supplies for injection drug users to prevent needle sharing. If awarded, this grant will provide funds to provide comprehensive syringe services that include overdose prevention. Opioid overdose is the leading cause of accidental death, and is preventable through education and naloxone intervention. Syringe services programs have become a standard public health practice both in the United States and around the world. Syringe exchange and overdose prevention are harm reduction interventions and are highly cost-effective in reducing the spread of disease and saving lives in the community.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The syringe services program partners with community organizations including Yellow Brick Road, Vancouver Police, Battle Ground police, Lifeline Connections/Detox, NAACP, pharmacies, Emergency Housing, and Juvenile Court. The syringe services program is supported by CCPH staff and volunteers, including students from Clark College, WSU-Vancouver, AT-Still University and OHSU. Partnerships allow CCPH to better reach the vulnerable populations in need of services.



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BUDGET 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 / Syringe Access Grant Funds		34,375		40,625		
Total		34,375		40,625		

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III. A – Expenditures summed up

Fund #/Title	FTE's	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
		GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
1025/Public Health			34,375		40,625		
Total			34,375		40,625		

III. B – Expenditure by object category

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits						
Contractual						
Supplies		34,375		40,625		
Travel						
Other controllables						
Capital Outlays						
Inter-fund Transfers						
Debt Service						
Total		34,375		40,625		

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