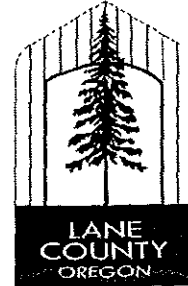


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AGENDA COVER MEMO

AGENDA DATE: May 25, 2011
TO: Board of County Commissioners
DEPARTMENT: Health & Human Services
PRESENTED BY: Rob Rockstroh



AGENDA TITLE: ORDER / _____ IN THE MATTER OF APPLYING FOR A SAFETY NET CAPACITY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$804,400 FROM THE STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PERMIT THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS TO PROVIDE SAFETY NET HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO YOUTH FOR THE 2011-2013 BIENNIUM

I. MOTION

In the Matter of Applying for a Safety Net Capacity Grant in the Amount of \$804,400 from the State of Oregon Department of Human Services to Permit the Community Health Centers to Provide Safety Net Healthcare Services to Youth for the 2011-2013 Biennium.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

On April 28, 2011, DHS issued a competitive Request for Proposals (RFPs) to provide safety net healthcare services to youth not eligible for the All Oregon's Children Program for FY 2012. The Community Health Centers of Lane County wish to apply for this funding, despite the need to develop and submit a proposal no later than May 31, 2011. Delegation of authority to the Acting County Administrator is sought to submit the grant application and to execute any resulting grant award documents.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

In 2010, Lane County did not apply for this safety net capacity grant. However in response to a grant application submitted by the Eugene 4J School District, DHS determined that Lane County would be the appropriate recipient of the funding for this County and DHS requested that Lane County act as the fiscal agent for the FY 2011 funds. DHS provided Lane County the funding via Agreement 131400.

Under the terms of Agreement 131400, the Community Health Centers (CHC) estimated providing one or more of the safety net services (physical, oral, mental, behavioral and vision) to 610 youth. As of April 30, 2011; services had been provided

to 525 youth. Lane County subcontracted some outreach and coordination services to the Eugene School District 4J (contract 22361, \$47,920) and Planned Parenthood of Southwest Oregon (contract 22082, \$6,815). If approved for this grant award, the CHC would seek to provide similar broad-based healthcare services via a coalition of community partners to a similar number of youth to approximately 1,000 youth per year.

B. Policy Issues

The youth served via these grant funds represent a vulnerable, underserved population of children in Lane County who have little or no access to quality healthcare. Providing services in tandem with the Eugene 4J and other community partners permits the CHC to leverage resources and multiply the benefits to the target population.

C. Board Goals

Applying for this grant meets the Board goal of providing outstanding customer/constituent service.

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

There is no guarantee that DHS will provide the same funding as last year. \$402,200/year is an estimate, based upon the unsolicited FY 2011 grant. Lane County retained only \$149,265 in FY 2011. Those funds were utilized to fund a portion of the salaries of existing CHC staff (.5 FTE pediatrician, .5 FTE RN, .5 FTE medical assistant, .25 FTE community service worker, .5 FTE dental hygienist), as well as to provide for grant administration and the purchase of supplies. Some of the services provided under this program are donated by local providers of vision or other community care providers. The CHCLC does not anticipate adding additional staff in order to accommodate providing services for approximately 1,000 youth/year.

Funding for this program was allocated by the State Legislature (\$5,000,000) for the 2011-2013 biennium under HB 2116. The intent of the legislation was to expand access to healthcare for up to 80,000 children throughout Oregon.

E. Analysis

The information required by the Board of County Commissioners prior to approval of grant applications is provided below:

1. What is the match requirement, if any, and how is that to be covered for the duration of the grant?

There is no match requirement.

2. Will the grant require expenditures for Material and Services or capital not fully paid for by the grant?

No. Actually, the grant funding will be primarily utilized to fund the salaries of existing staff and to recover costs associated with treating uninsured clients of the CHC.

3. Will the grant funds be fully expended before county funds need to be spent?

The Community Health Centers receive no County General Fund financing.

4. How will the administrative work of the grant be covered if the grant funds don't cover it?

In FY 2012, just as in FY 2011, the administrative work will be absorbed by the Clinical Financial Services Division of Health & Human Services, working in tandem with CHC and 4j staff.

5. Have grant stakeholders been informed of the grant sun setting policy so there is no misunderstanding when the funding ends? Describe the plan for service if funding does not continue.

This is a capacity-building grant. All partners are aware that the intent is to build a network to provide safety net healthcare services that will endure after the grant funding has ceased.

6. What accounting, auditing and evaluation obligations are imposed by the grant conditions?

The County's standard accounting, auditing and evaluation processes will meet the requirements of the grant.

7. How will the department cover the accounting, auditing, and evaluation obligations? How are the costs for these obligations covered, regardless of whether they are in the department submitting the grant or a support service department? Does the department acknowledge that the county will need to cover these costs and is it an appropriate cost incurred by support service departments?

Costs will be borne by the Clinical Financial Services Division of Health & Human Services.

8. Are there any restrictions against applying the county full cost indirect charge?

There is no indirect as a part of this grant, but the funding request includes administrative costs and the staff salaries include a portion of the indirects related to those positions.

9. Are there unique or unusual conditions that trigger additional county work effort or liability, i.e., maintenance of effort requirements or supplanting prohibitions or indemnity obligations?

No.

10. Is this a grant funded computer/software application project?

No.

F. Alternatives/Options

1. To accept the motion, adopt the order and approve the grant application submission, delegating authority to the Acting County Administrator to sign the application and all subsequent grant documents.
2. Not to accept the motion and direct Health & Human Services to not apply for this grant.

G. Recommendation

To approve Option #1, above.

H. Timing/Implementation

May 31, 2011 – Application due (electronic submission)
June, 2011 – Notification of proposals selected for funding
July, 2011 – Agreement with DHS for FY 2012 funding/services
June, 2012 – Anticipated completion date

IV. IMPLEMENTATION

Upon action by the Board, the application will be submitted to the State of Oregon.

If awarded, contracting will follow in July, 2011; both with DHS and the CHC's community partners.

V. ATTACHMENTS

Board Order

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER:) IN THE MATTER OF APPLYING FOR A SAFETY NET
) CAPACITY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$804,400 FROM THE
) STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
) TO PERMIT THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS TO
) PROVIDE SAFETY NET HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO YOUTH
) FOR THE 2011-2013 BIENNIUM

WHEREAS, the Community Health Centers of Lane County (CHCLC), a Federally Qualified Health Center, is eligible to apply for State of Oregon Safety Net Capacity Grant funding in order to provide a broad range of healthcare services to uninsured youth in Lane County, in cooperation with community partners; and

WHEREAS, the CHCLC received similar unsolicited grant funding from the State in Fiscal Year 2011 and successfully directly served more than 500 youngsters; and

WHEREAS, both the CHCLC and its community partners wish to extend the provisions of these services into the coming fiscal year;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Lane County apply for funding in the amount of \$804,400 in Safety Net Capacity Grant funding from the State of Oregon Department of Human Services; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that the County Administrator be delegated authority to execute this application and all applicable award documents pursuant to this grant

Adopted this ____ day of May, 2011.

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board Of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO
5-17-11
[Signature]
OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL