



City of Racine, Wisconsin  
Agenda Briefing Memorandum

**AGENDA DATES**

Intro. to Council Date: October 7, 2025  
Standing Committee Date: October 13, 2025  
Final Action Council Date: October 21, 2025

**PREPARED BY:** Wynn Brown, Administrative Assistant  
**REVIEWED BY:** Dottie-Kay Bowersox, Public Health Administrator

**SUBJECT:** Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept recurring funding of \$48,760 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2026 Consolidated Maternal Child Health Block Grant. (Grant Control # 00668)

**BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS:** The City of Racine will utilize the funding to reduce infant mortality in partnership with community organizations. The plan targets unmet social service needs of pregnant and recently delivered individuals, aiming to reduce disparities and improve access to essential resources. Activities will focus on enhancing community engagement, refining outreach messaging, and ensuring that families and community members are actively involved in supporting infant mortality prevention efforts.

**STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept recurring funding of \$48,760 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2026 Consolidated – Maternal Child Health Block Grant. (Grant Control # 00668)

**FISCAL NOTE & BUDGETARY IMPACT:** City match required: \$40,260 (75%). This match will be met through the City of Racine's contribution of staff time, administrative oversight, and reporting responsibilities.