



City of Racine, Wisconsin
Agenda BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

AGENDA DATE: 08/12/2024

PREPARED BY: Dottie-Kay Bowersox, Public Health Administrator

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Communication sponsored by Alder Horton on behalf of the Public Health Department requesting permission to accept funding of \$25,000 from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services Communicable Disease Harm Reduction Section for the Integrated HIV Prevention (Targeted) grant.

Background and Analysis:

Integrated HIV Prevention (Targeted) funding is intended to support activities that will make progress toward ending the HIV epidemic through several categories of activities, including diagnosing, treating, preventing, and responding to HIV infections. Locally, funds will be used to increase the availability of condoms and other safer sex supplies to prevent the spread of HIV. Funds will also support advertising and outreach campaigns to increase knowledge of HIV testing options and other HIV prevention methods such as pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP).

The grant aims to support community engagement and HIV planning efforts by conducting strategic community engagement and increasing collaborations and engagement with local partners, people living with HIV, and communities most impacted by HIV to provide education and dispel misinformation about HIV. All activities will be designed and implemented in accordance with the goals and priority populations outlined in the 2022 Wisconsin HIV Surveillance Annual Report.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Funds will supplement City levy and other grant funds used for HIV prevention and harm reduction efforts. There is no City match required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Department be authorized to accept funding of \$25,000 from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for the Integrated HIV Prevention (Targeted) grant.