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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

August 27, 2015

The Honorable
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street – Fourth Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

RE: Acceptance of Grant Award – Erie County Teen Pregnancy Prevention

Dear Honorable Members:

The Erie County Department of Health has received a grant award in the amount of $86,000 from Cicatelli Associates, Inc. The purpose of this grant is to develop and implement a community-led plan to prevent teen pregnancy over the course of the program. There is no County share associated with this important health program. Authorization is requested to receive these grant funds.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, please contact Commissioner of Health Gale Burstein. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

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cc: Dr. Gale Burstein, Commissioner of Health

MEMORANDUM

To:	Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From:	Department of Health
Re:	Acceptance of Grant Award – Erie County Teen Pregnancy Prevention
Date:	August 27, 2015

SUMMARY

The Erie County Department of Health ("ECDOH") has received a grant award in the amount of $86,000 from Ciacatelli and Associates Inc. ("Ciacatelli"). Ciacatelli, in partnership with ECDOH and the University of Buffalo, will work collaboratively with partners and community stakeholders to develop and implement a community-led plan to prevent teen pregnancy over the course of the program. This will also include, ensuring that evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention interventions are delivered in high-risk areas.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Positive. This grant will provide $86,000 per grant cycle.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Several zip codes in Erie County have high rates of teen pregnancy, which creates a significant economic burden on the community and adverse health, educational, and behavioral outcomes for children.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Ciacatelli has received funding from the Office of Adolescent Health ("OAH") to replicate evidence based teen pregnancy prevention ("TPP") programs in Buffalo, NY targeting nine zip codes (14201, 14204, 14206, 14207, 14208, 14209, 14211, 14213 and 14215) where teen birth rates are higher than the national average. Ciacatelli will function as the project backbone organization, providing coordination, workforce and organizational development, training, facilitate the planning and implementation of a collaborative community-led process that will ultimately build a sustainable and effective response to teen pregnancy in the community.

Ciacatelli, ECDOH and University of Buffalo, Primary Care Research Institute ("UBPCRI"), will partner to act as the Anchor Organization ("AO") for this initiative in the community. The AO will actively work together to both resource and mobilize the community to develop, implement and improve a set of mutually reinforcing strategies for achieving sustainable reductions in teen pregnancy. The AO will purse six broad activities to support achievement of initiative goals: guide the development of a vision and strategy; support aligned activities among community partners; establish shared measurement practices; build public will; advance policy; and mobilize funding.

As a subcontractor and member of the AO, ECDOH will provide leadership in addressing policy, regulatory or structural barriers identified by the community, leverage role as public health authority to support and raise awareness of initiative and integrate a broad adolescent wellness agenda, which includes teen pregnancy prevention, as a public health priority.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

We will be unable to accept the grant award and take a leading role in this important public health mission.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The Erie County Department of Health will work with the Division of Budget and Management and the Office of the Erie County Comptroller to accept the additional funding.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, decreasing the teen pregnancy rate in Erie County is an important public health objective; and

WHEREAS, Children born to adolescents are more likely to have poorer educational, behavioral, and health outcomes throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, teen childbearing costs taxpayers between $9.4 and $28 billion a year through public assistance payments, lost tax revenue, and greater expenditures for public health care, foster care, and criminal justice services; and

WHEREAS, evidence based strategies exist which have a demonstrable impact on reducing the teen pregnancy rate; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Health Department in collaboration with the Erie County Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project has been award a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services via Ciacatelli and Associates to implement a teen pregnancy reduction program; and

WHEREAS, this grant in the amount of $86,000 requires no local funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Department of Health is authorized to receive a grant award from Ciacatelli and Associates in the amount of $86,000 to be budgeted as follows:

"Erie County Teen Pregnancy Prevention"
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10/1/15 -9/30/16

SAP	REVENUE	BUDGET
479100	Other Contributions	$86,000
	TOTAL	$86,000

	EXPENSES	
500000	Full Time Salaries	$47,499.00
502000	Fringe Benefits	$23,075.00
505000	Office Supplies	$1,000.00
510000	Local Mileage	$345.00
510100	Out of Area Travel	$2,000.00
510200	Training and Education	$11,081.00

980000 ID DISS Services		$1,000.00
	TOTAL	$86,000.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the authorization is hereby granted to create one position of Project Coordinator- Teen Wellness, JG11, Step 1, annual salary $43,564 B100# 8411 in the CSEA bargaining unit; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Personnel, the Department of Law and to Dr. Gale R. Burstein, Commissioner, in the Erie County Department of Health, 9th Floor, Rath Building.