



# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 7, 2016

The Honorable  
Erie County Legislature  
95 Franklin Street  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Acceptance of a 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 \$93,226 from Cicatelli Associates, Inc. The purpose of this grant is to implement the second phase 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 and to roll over \$25,224 in unutilized funds from the 2015-2016 grant cycle.

Should your Honorable Body have any questions, please contact Commissioner of Health, Dr. Gale Burstein. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Poloncarz".

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP:lmg  
CC: Health Commissioner, Gale R. Burstein, MD

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Health Department  
**Re:** Acceptance of a Grant Award –Erie County Teen Pregnancy Prevention  
**Date:** July 7, 2016

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### **SUMMARY**

The Erie County Department of Health (“ECDOH”) has received a grant award in the amount of \$93,226 from Cikatelli Associates, Inc. (“Cikatelli”). Cikatelli, in partnership with ECDOH 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 \$93,226 for the 2016-17 grant cycle along with \$25,244 in unused funds from the 2015-16 grant for a total award of \$118,450.

### **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. Thirty-three percent of all teen girls who drop out of school cite pregnancy as the reason. Children born to teen mothers have a higher risk for low birth weight, higher rates of incarceration, lower school achievement, higher rates of chronic medical conditions, and are more likely to be unemployed or underemployed as adults.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Cikatelli 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. Cikatelli will function as the project backbone organization, providing coordination, workforce and collaborative community-led process that will ultimately build a sustainable and effective response to teen pregnancy in the community.

Cikatelli, ECDOH 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 pursue 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 leadership 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 awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services via Ciacatelli Associates, Inc. to implement a teen pregnancy reduction program; and

WHEREAS, this grant in the amount of \$93,226 requires no local funding match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Department of Health is authorized to rollover the remaining grant award of \$25,244 from Ciacatelli and Associates from the 2015-2016 grant (127TPP1516) into 2016-2017; and

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Department of Health is authorized to receive a total grant award, including rollover, in the amount of \$118,450.00 to be budgeted as follows:

**“Erie County Teen Pregnancy Prevention”**  
**127TPP1617**  
**7/1/16 - 6/30/17**

<b>SAP</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
479100	Other Contributions	<u>\$118,450.00</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<u>\$118,450.00</u>
	<b>EXPENSES</b>	
500000	Full Time Salaries	\$ 65,533.00

501000	Overtime	\$ 1,692.00
502000	Fringe Benefits	\$ 43,907.00
505000	Office Supplies	\$ 524.00
510000	Local Mileage	\$ 420.00
510100	Out of Are Travel	\$ 1,800.00
510200	Training and Education	\$ 500.00
530000	Other	\$ 800.00
980000	ID DISS Services	\$ 3,274.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$118,450.00</u></b>

and be further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into subcontract with Cicatelli Associates, Inc. (“CAI”) for provision of “Replicating Evidence-based Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs to Scale in Communities with Greatest Need”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust items of appropriations and revenues, including contractual agency amounts, based on grantor requirement or county share adjustments, provided there are no changes to authorized personnel levels, and be it further

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