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KAREN BASS
MAYOR

June 16, 2023

Honorable City Council
c/o Office of the City Clerk
Room 395, City Hall
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Honorable Councilmembers:

REQUEST APPROVAL TO ACCEPT \$117,914 IN OLDER CALIFORNIANS ACT (OCA) GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING (CDA) TO FUND A PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE TO SERVE OLDER ADULTS WITH THE CITY'S AGING NETWORK UNDER STANDARD AGREEMENT PH-2223-25

The City of Los Angeles Department of Aging (LADOA) requests City Council and Mayoral approval to accept \$117,914 in Older Californians Act (OCA) grant funds from the California Department of Aging (CDA); to authorize the PH-2223-25 Budget; to execute Standard Agreement PH-2223-25 and any unilateral amendments to the subgrant agreement, in accordance with ED3, see enclosed ED3 waiver.

For questions regarding this matter, please contact Jaime H. Pacheco-Orozco at (213) 810-4006.

Sincerely,

Jaime H. Pacheco-Orozco

JAIME H. PACHECO-OROZCO
General Manager

JHP:MFRmn:gdh/LADOA Public Health PIH-2223-25 Council Cover Ltr (ED3 Waiver)

cc: City Attorney
City Administrative Officer
Chief Legislative Analyst

TRANSMITTAL

TO
Department of Aging

DATE
06/15/2023

COUNCIL FILE NO.

FROM
The Mayor

COUNCIL DISTRICT

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Approved, ED3 Waived, and Transmitted for further processing.



MAYOR
(Chris Thompson for)

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May 26, 2023

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Honorable Karen Bass
Mayor, City of Los Angeles,
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Attention: Legislative Coordinator

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The General Manager of the Los Angeles Department of Aging (LADOA) requests authorization for the receipt of \$117,914 to fund a public health position to work with LADOA's service providers to improve the overall health of older adults and requests approval of the Public Health PH-2223-25 Budget and Standard Agreement.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of the LADOA requests that the City Council, subject to approval of the Mayor:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager of the LADOA, or designee, to accept \$117,914 in Older Californians Act (OCA) grant funds from the California Department of Aging (CDA); to authorize the PH-2223-25 Budget; to execute Standard Agreement PH-2223-25 and any unilateral amendments to the subgrant agreement, subject to review and approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, and in compliance with Los Angeles Administrative Code §14.8 et seq. (City grant regulations);

2. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:

- a. Establish new accounts and appropriate funds for Public Health Workforce Program (PHWP) within the Area Plan for the Aging Title III Fund Number 395 as follows:

Account No.:	Account Title	Amount
02Y102	Aging	\$82,965
02Y299	Reimbursement of General Fund Costs	34,949
	TOTAL	\$117,914

- b. Increase appropriations within Fund 100 – Department 02 and transfer funds on an as needed basis as follows:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
From: 395	02	02Y102	Aging	\$82,965
To: 100	02	001010	Salaries-General	\$82,128
100	02	006010	Office & Admin Exp	837

- c. Expend funds upon proper demand of the General Manager of the LADOA, or designee;

3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager of the LADOA, or designee, to prepare Controller's instructions for any technical adjustments, that are consistent with the Mayor and Council actions on this matter, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

Background

The California Department of Aging (CDA) administers programs that serve older adults, adults with disabilities, family caregivers, and residents in long-term care facilities throughout the State. These services are provided locally by contracted agencies.

During the Great Recession, funding was significantly reduced or eliminated., leaving the programs authorized but unfunded. Since then, the older adult population, the consumer price index, and inflation rates have continued to increase, and older adults are left behind. COVID-19 made it evident that older adults needed access to strong networks of aging and disability services to support home and community living that included a public health workforce.

To protect older adults and persons with disabilities and to meet the emerging needs and future challenges of these communities, the California Department of Aging approved one-time Older Californians Act (OCA) grant funds to help fund a public health workforce within its Aging network. The Public Health workforce comprises a wide range of essential occupations that will serve to improve the health of older adults and persons of disabilities.

This funding will help to cover the costs of staff to conduct crucial public health activities, and for recruiting, hiring, and training public health workers to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and prepare for future public health challenges. Public Health workforce include the following employment functions: Community Health Worker, Program Manager, Public Health Nurse, Nurse Case/Care manager, Case Manager, Communication and Policy Experts, Case Investigator, Contact Tracer, Social Support Specialist, Disease Intervention Specialist, Epidemiologist, Laboratory Personnel, Informaticians, and positions to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

Additionally, the proposed public health services must be culturally affirmative and linguistically accessible, assistance with accessing vaccines and connecting to other services, transition and diversion for high-risk congregate settings to community living, health and wellness programs, services that address social isolation and social determinants of health, and other activities that support the public health and wellbeing of older adults and people with disabilities.

On September 25, 2018, the Mayor and City Council authorized LADOA to release several Request for Proposals (RFPs) seeking qualified contractors to provide senior services, including nutrition programs, through the operation of multipurpose centers (MPCs) or at designated facilities (C.F. 18-0804) for a total contract term of four years. In 2019, LADOA was authorized to execute contracts for OAA programs for a term of one year, beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, with three one-year renewal options (C.F. 19-0615).

The City Council and Mayor authorized LADOA to execute new one-year contract agreements with each existing Contractor in lieu of contract renewals since extending contracts over four fiscal years causes undue complications for LADOA accounting staff and external auditors relative to tracking and expending grant funds.

The public health workforce approved funding is one-time-only and will run through September 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions authorize LADOA to accept Older Californians Act grant funds to fund a Public Health workforce position. Adoption of report recommendations will result in no material impact on the General Fund.

Sincerely,



JAIME H. PACHECO-OROZCO
General Manager

JHP:MFR:mn:gd/LADOA Public Health PIH-2223-25

cc: Regina C. Mills, Deputy City Attorney
Rafael Garcia, Office of the City Administrative Officer
Maria D. Gutierrez, Office of the City Administrative Officer
Wendy Caputo, President of the City of Los Angeles Council on Aging