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DATE: <u>03/07/2023</u>

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO APPLY TO THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION IN RESPONSE TO THE GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY - BOLD PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS PERTAINING TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS

*** CONSENT AGENDA ***

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submission of an application to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in response to the grant funding opportunity – BOLD Public Health Programs pertaining to Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias, CDC-RFA-DP-23-0010.

BACKGROUND

Tarrant County data from 2020 demonstrates Alzheimer's disease mortality in Tarrant County was 47.4% significantly higher than Harris and Travis county. Local data shows that Alzheimer's Disease is the sixth (6th) leading cause of death in Tarrant County resulting in approximately 813 deaths annually.

This notice of grant funding opportunity will allow Tarrant County Public Health (TCPH) to collaborate with multi-sectoral partners such as, the Alzheimer's Association North Central Texas (AANCT) chapter, University of North Texas (UNT) Health Science Center Institute, Area Agency on Aging, and other Alzheimer's Diseases and Related Dementia's (ADRD) advocates. This collaboration will form a local coalition that will create an ADRD strategic plan for Tarrant County, and will outline a comprehensive approach to address ADRD. In addition, this funding will allow Tarrant County to enrich the available educational allotment regarding ADRD prevention and management by making more educators and education tools available within the community. The partners in this application (AANCT and UNHSC) will seek to increase the availability and use of data to improve community-clinical linkages among health care systems and existing services, public health, and community-based organizations.

This grant funding will add two (2) full-time positions, one (1) nutritionist or dietician and one (1) program coordinator to the TCPH staffing table. The Program Coordinator will track program implementation and outcomes as well as serve as the central convenor for the collaboration. Currently, TCPH does not employ a nutritionist and/or dietician outside of the WIC program.

The contract term will be September 30, 2023 through September 29, 2028. The estimated award date is September 30, 2023.

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With approval, TCPH will apply for this competitive grant.

The Tarrant County Budget and Risk Management Department has reviewed this grant application.

FISCAL IMPACT

The requested amount is \$1,850,000.00 and will be disbursed over five (5) years with years one (1) and two (2) at \$250,000.00 each year and years three (3) through five (5) at \$450,000.00 each.

Indirect costs of ten percent (10%), or \$185,000.00 over the life of the grant, shall be requested.

Grant match amount of thirty percent (30%) will be paid as in-kind through TCPH and community partners' staff, epidemiological support staff, and use of current office space.

No operating subsidy is required for this grant.

As noted by TCHR, positions funded by grants or special funds may be eliminated due to loss of funding at any time, and Tarrant County has no obligation to assume funding for these positions.