

Agenda Item

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Requested Agenda Date: 1/20/2024

1/30/2024

Requested Agenda Title:

Budget Adjustment: The Health Department has been awarded a 5-year federal grant from the Partnerships for Success program in the amount of \$97,000 per year. The Department requests to utilize the grant for a 0.75 FTE time-limited Health Educator position and related operating budget to enhance the implementation of community centered evidence-based prevention programs.

Requested Agenda Item Description: This is a budget neutral request with no impact on County Funding. Health was awarded a new 5-year grant (Partners for Success) with funding of \$97,000 per year. This request is to fund a new 0.75 time-limited FTE and related operating budget. This new grant is to enhance the implementation of community centered evidence-based prevention based on the following expected grant outcomes:

• Alcohol compliance checks: focus on building relationships with and supporting all local law enforcement agencies in our county to complete these checks with retailers, identify barriers to completing the checks, and provide the retailer and merchant education.

• Prevention messaging campaigns: focus on bringing prevention messaging campaigns to Salt Lake County area. Salt Lake County is the most populated county in the state and has not actively participated in these messaging campaigns due to internal capacity. These readily available campaigns are helpful tools to implement universal strategies to address favorable attitudes and social norms to substances.

• Policy support and assistance: focus on identifying gaps in preventative evidence-based policies in local areas, mobilize local areas to be more active in policy change that supports a substance-free environment, and building relationships with local policy makers to support prevention-focused policies.

• Monitoring new and upcoming threats in prevention: focus on possible changes in society that could create environments favorable to substance use and ensure SLCo is prepared to mobilize to address these threats if they become tangible. Some of these threats identified that could create an environment favorable to substance use are laws permitting recreational use of cannabis and/or laws permitting medicinal or recreational use of hallucinogenic drugs.

Requested Action: Discussion - Vote Needed

Presenter(s) (with titles): Hoa Nguyen, Council Budget and Policy Analyst

Time Needed: Less than 5 MINS

Is this Item Time-Sensitive and/or Requesting a Time-Certain? No

Requesting Staff Member: Kelly Colopy, Department Director, Human Services

Are Supporting Documents Needed for this Agenda Item Request? Yes