



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

Date: December 1, 2008

To: HEALTH, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A FIVE YEAR FEDERAL GRANT
FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REDUCE
INFANT MORTALITY IN THE LATINO COMMUNITY

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to apply for a five year federal grant of up to \$685,000 annually (total \$3,425,000) for a project period from June 1, 2009 through May 31, 2014 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for infant mortality reduction services in the Minneapolis Latino community.

Previous Directives: Council authorized submission of a grant application to fund a Latina Healthy Start project on December 7, 2007 (application approved but not funded).

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Approved by:

Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Pat Harrison, Director of Research and Program Development

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X Other financial impact (Explain): The City of Minneapolis would receive funding of \$3,425,000.

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department of Health and Family Support requests authorization to apply for a five year, \$3,425,000 grant from the federal Department of Health and Human Services to provide Healthy Start services for the Minneapolis Latino community. The purpose of the program is to provide community outreach, health education, psychosocial risk screening, and case management services to pregnant Latina women and to their infants up to 2 years of age. The project will be supported by the Healthy Start Screening and Case Management System. The budget period for the funding is June 1, 2009 through May 31, 2014.