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The Honorable Detroit City Council
ATTN: City Clerk Office
200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center
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# RE: Request to Accept and Appropriate the FY 2023 Black Birthing Initiative Grant

Henry Ford Health has awarded the City of Detroit Health Department with the FY 2023 Black Birthing Initiative Grant for a total of \$63,596.40. There is no match requirement for this grant. The total project cost is \$63,596.40.

The objective of the grant is to is to decrease the incidence of preterm birth among Black women in the City of Detroit. This will be a collaborative project between Henry Ford Health – Prenatal Care and the Detroit Health Department – Fatherhood Initiative. The funding allotted to the department will be utilized to purchase curriculum materials, provide participant transportation, and support miscellaneous meeting expenses costs.

If approval is granted to accept and appropriate this funding, the appropriation number is 21269.

I respectfully ask your approval to accept and appropriate funding in accordance with the attached resolution.

Sincerely,

Jerri Daniels

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Terri Daniels

Director of Grants, Office of Development and Grants

CC:

Sajjiah Parker, Assistant Director, Grants



# Office of Development and Grants

Council Member

## RESOLUTION

WHEDEAS	the Health	Department is	requesting	authorization t	o accent a di	rant from	Henry Fo	٠r

**WHEREAS**, the Health Department is requesting authorization to accept a grant from Henry Ford Health, in the amount of \$63,596.40, to decrease the incidence of preterm birth among Black women in the City of Detroit.; and

WHEREAS, this request has been approved by the Office of Budget; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Director or Head of the Department is authorized to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the City of Detroit, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Budget Director is authorized to establish Appropriation number 21269, in the amount of \$63,596.40, for the FY 2023 Black Birthing Initiative Grant.

Collaborative Agreement Between
Henry Ford Health,
Office of Community Health, Equity & Wellness
and
Detroit Health Department,
Maternal Child Health Division

# **Black Birthing Initiative**

**Purpose**: Creating Healthy Communities (CHC) is seeking collaborative partners for its Black Birthing Initiative (BBI), focused on supporting black birthing persons and reducing stress that leads to preterm birth over a 2-year period. Programmatic structure consists of a lead implementation partner, collaborative partner(s) and a program evaluation partner. The grant will be awarded to Henry Ford Health (HFH) as lead implementation partner, the Detroit Health Department (DHD) will serve as collaborative partner and JFM Consulting will lead evaluation.

## Construction

This agreement is not a legal contract and shall not be construed as a legal contract. This agreement expresses both the intentions and plans of HFH & DHD to provide support to approximately 180 BBI participants from 2023-2025 and mutual aid through procedures set forth herein. By leveraging the existing working relationship of both organizations through the Hope Starts Here effort, collaboration and expertise amongst relevant stakeholders is ideal. BBI has set forth a framework to support black birthing persons consisting of core elements and optional elements.

#### Core Elements:

- Outreach, screening, recruitment and retention
- Assessment, case management and referral navigation
- Prenatal medical advocacy training and training in advocacy
- Birth Planning & Accompaniment
- Prenatal Education and
- Programs Activities, or Events with a group component where birthing persons can share their experiences and get support.

## Optional Elements:

- Training Providers
- Support for Birthing Peoples Partners
- Creating Medical Homes/ Provider Networks
- Reflection and Journaling
- Advocacy and Policy Change and
- Postpartum Services.

This work will be split into two: HFH providing BBI participants with Core Elements programming via WIN Network Group Prenatal Care (GPC) and DHD providing Fatherhood support meeting the optional element, support for birthing people's partners.

# Henry Ford Health will serve as the lead implementation partner for the BBI.

#### Timeline:

- Year 1: 2023-2024
  - Coordination & Planning with BBI partners
  - Staff training & development
  - Recruit black pregnant women to BBI opportunity
  - Incorporate BBI assessments into GPC structure
  - Implement Interventions
  - Deploy Community Health Workers
  - Execute Fatherhood Curriculum, Programming and Resources
  - o Data, collection and submissions & program Check-ins
  - Compile and submit evaluation reports

# Year 2: 2024-2025

- o Continue implementation to BBI cohorts
- Reflect on learning to date
- Make program adjustments
- Data, collection and submissions & program Check-ins
- Submit cumulative, final report

# **Commitments of HFH as Implementation Lead:**

- Provide leadership, coordination and execution of all BBI core elements
- Create and execute recruitment, assessments, programming and data reporting for 180
   BBI participants
- Lead regular meetings with partners
- Strategic direction and oversight of BBI program and participants
- Provide support for all partnership needs and evaluation activities
- Recruit and refer fathers and partners to DHD for support
- Compile interim reporting/submissions

## Commitments of DHD as collaborative partner:

- Finalize, compile and execute enhanced fatherhood curriculum
- Coordinate activities and events with WIN Network staff
- Survey WIN Network Fathers and partners
- Create and execute monthly programming to be offered to all BBI fathers and partners
- Provide supportive resources, materials and referrals
- Provide relevant resources, information and materials to fathers and partners for lived experience and to promote engagement

- Participate in partner meetings and planning sessions
- Schedule and coordinate with DHD staff supporting BBI
- Provide relevant data and information to HFH for reporting and shared learning

# **Financial Support**

• HFH will sub-grant \$63,596.40 over the course of this 2-year initiative, dedicated to DHD Fatherhood programming, increasing referrals to BBI participants, staff time and project coordination, promotional items, and assessments.

#### **Duration**

This Collaborative agreement is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from Henry Ford Health and the Detroit Health Department. This agreement shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from Henry Ford Health and the Detroit Health Department and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent. In the absence of mutual consent by the authorized officials from Henry Ford Health and Detroit Health Department, this agreement shall end on January 31, 2025.

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