

COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 16, 2024

ITEM TITLE, PRESENTER: Approval of Local Health Dept WIC Program - San Juan Amendment 8

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

SUMMARY

The purpose of this Contract is to support San Juan Public Health's delivery of the Women Infant and Children (WIC) Program, which serves recent mothers, expectant mothers, and children under 5 years old who are low income (see attached income guidelines). The purpose of this funding is to provide nutrition education to all adult participants, to parents or guardians of child participants and, when applicable, to child participants in order to conform to the state and local Nutrition Education Plans and to USDA Regulations.

Current federal funding levels are a reflection of WIC enrollment numbers two years prior. Supplementing with current local funding and braiding with other funds (e.g., COVID-19) will enable us to use innovative approaches to increase enrollment and access across the county and qualify for additional federal funding in two years.

HISTORY/PAST ACTION

Approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funding amount for Peer Counseling will be increased by \$892 in federally reimbursed funds for a new total of \$3,933 for Peer Counseling in Year 5 (FFY 2024; 10/1/2023 - 09/30/2024).

The federally reimbursable funding remains \$141,453 for WIC operational activities (i.e., Nutrition Service Administration that includes breastfeeding promotion, nutrition education, administration, client services, technology services).

Current WIC funds are supplemented with approximately \$47,688.35 per year in funds from the local Health Fund tax. Braiding these funds with other funds and activities (e.g., COVID-19 funds) allows for expansion to Monticello and additional locations.