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M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: 5/20/09
TO: HON. MARK D. BOUGHTON VIA THE COMMON COUNCIL
FROM: DAVID W. ST. HILAIRE, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE *DWS*
RE: RESOLUTION-WIC GRANT- FARMERS MARKET PROGRAM

Attached for your review is a resolution that will allow the City of Danbury Health, Housing and Welfare Department to enter into an agreement with the State Department of Agriculture for receipt of funds.

Funds received, in the amount of \$928.50, are to be used for supplemental staffing of the WIC program as it administers the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program from June 2009 through September 2009. There is no local match required for this program.

The Common Council is respectfully requested to consider this resolution at the next Common Council meeting. Please contact me should you require any additional information.

DWS/sk

cc: S. LeRoy
P. Mascoli

RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:



WHEREAS, the City of Danbury's Women, Infants, and Children's Program (WIC) wishes to enter into an agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Agriculture for funds in the amount of \$928.50 to be used for supplemental staffing during the Farmer's Market Nutrition Program; and

WHEREAS, said funds are to be used to administer the issuance of farmer's market coupons to enable WIC participants to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables at the local Farmer's Market during the summer of 2009; and

WHEREAS, the period for the availability of this grant is June 2009 through September 2009; and

WHEREAS, no local match is required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Mark D. Boughton, Mayor of the City of Danbury or Scott T. LeRoy, Director of Health, Housing & Welfare, as his designee, is authorized to sign an agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Agriculture for this amount and to do all things necessary to administer the 2009 summer Farmer's Market Nutrition Program to its clients.

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WIC PROGRAM

13 Main Street

Danbury, Connecticut 06810

797-4629

To: Mayor Mark Boughton via Common Council

From: Patty Mascoli, CDN, and MS WIC Program Coordinator

Cc: Scott LeRoy, file

Date: May 18, 2009

Re: WIC Amendment

PROGRAM IMPACT:

The Connecticut Farmer's Market Nutrition Program is a Federal program administered by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture and jointly funded by the State of Connecticut and the US Department of Agriculture. This program is designed to provide a supplemental source of fresh fruits and vegetables for participants of the Women, Infant and Children (WIC) who are certified by a Nutritionist to have a nutritional risk factor. The program also promotes agricultural diversification by stimulating the demand for Connecticut grown fresh unprocessed fruits and vegetables at local farmer's markets. Connecticut Farmers' Market Nutrition Program vouchers can only be used at authorized farmers' markets and for eligible purchases from State certified farmers' market vendors.

All recipients of the CT Farmers' Market Nutrition Program are current participants in the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC).

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture has agreed to reimburse the Danbury WIC Program at a rate of \$.50 per eligible WIC client. Eligible participants are those people over the age of one year, enrolled in the WIC program for any part of the 2009 distribution period for a total of \$928.5. The funds will be used for staff salaries and fringe benefits, specifically FICA, to compensate for the additional workload and hours in the administration of the Farmers' Market Program. There are no direct City personnel, benefit, equipment or other costs associated with these funds. No future costs are anticipated.

The issuance of Farmers' Market Program vouchers will be conducted beginning June 2009 and ending September 2009.

Thank you,

Patty Mascoli

Enclosure