



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

County Board Agenda Item Meeting of June 16, 2012

DATE: May 24, 2012

SUBJECT: Acceptance and appropriation of a Virginia Department of Health obesity prevention grant

C. M. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the County Manager or her designee to execute a grant agreement and accept \$50,000 in FY 2012 grant funds from the Virginia Department of Health on behalf of the County Board.
2. Appropriate \$50,000 in FY 2012 from the Virginia Department of Health (101.364101) to the Department of Human Services (101.55104) for the Obesity Prevention Through Healthy Communities program.

ISSUES: This is a request for County Board approval to accept and appropriate grant funds. No net tax support is required and no issues have been identified.

DISCUSSION: The Virginia Department of Health has awarded the Department of Human Services an obesity prevention grant required to be distributed through its Public Health Division. Public health staff will collaborate with the Department of Parks and Recreation to implement grant-funded activities. All grant funds must be fully expended by June 30, 2013.

The grant funds a physical activity curriculum, equipment and staff training for out-of-school youth programs operated by the Department of Parks and Recreation. The evidence-based curriculum is endorsed by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Virginia Department of Health. Summer and fall trainings will teach staff and contractors how to successfully engage youth in structured physical activities designed to prevent obesity.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. All expenses will be covered by the grant. No local match is required.

County Manager:

County Attorney:

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Staff: Josephine Peters, DHS Public Health Division