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CHANGING SOURCE OF GRANT FUNDS FOR POSITION #3264, PUBLIC HEALTH
SPECIALIST FOR THE TOBACCO PREVENTION AND COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Public Health-Madison & Dane County (PHMDC) currently receives a Tobacco Prevention and Control Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. PHMDC has been receiving the grant since 1998, funds are used for a variety of activities, including paying salary/benefit for tobacco program staff, conference and training expenses, retailer compliance inspections, and general program expenses.

Position #3264, a Public Health Specialist position, is currently funded at 1.0 FTE by Madison Police Department's Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program (COAP) Grant and is vacant. The position previously provided coordination of the COAP grant. These efforts have been assumed by MPD and the position will not be filled to meet this purpose as the grant period is ending. Public Health Specialists perform essential duties related to health priority areas aligned with PHMDC's strategic plan. Core responsibilities include establishing, strengthening and maintaining community partnerships; developing, implementing, and evaluating programs and public health initiatives, and managing work plans and timelines. These positions also implement grant objectives and work plans, and respond to priorities set forth by the direct supervisor.

Using Tobacco Prevention and Control Program grant dollars, PHMDC proposes funding position #3264 as a 1.0 FTE Public Health Specialist – Tobacco Prevention and Control position to increase the agency's capacity to implement Tobacco Prevention and Control Grant Objectives addressing health equity, youth and young adult prevention, municipal policy, licensing, and compliance inspections. Utilizing existing grant funds for this role align with grant expectations to fund a minimum of a 0.75 FTE position to implement grant objectives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that 1.0 FTE of position #3264 be funded by the Tobacco Prevention and Control grant, that funding from the Madison Police Department's Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program (COAP) Grant be removed, making position #3264 a funded 1.0 FTE Public Health Specialist position for Tobacco Prevention and Control.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that position #3264, has been vacant for more than six months, is authorized to be filled pursuant to Dane County Ordinance 29.52(15), which requires the Personnel and Finance Committee to approve filling positions that are vacant for more than six months.