



CITY OF CONCORD

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Fire Department

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Guy T. Newbery Interim Fire Chief

DATE: October 1, 2020

SUBJECT: Report to Accompany a Resolution Accepting the terms of the First Responder Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (FR-CARA) grant and appropriating the amount of one hundred forty-five thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$145,475) to continue funding the mobile integrated healthcare (MIH) program enhancing the city's ability to respond to emergencies involving opioid overdoses.

Recommendation

Accept this report and approve the resolution as stated above.

Background

Resolution No. 9195 approved a resolution and report to authorize the City Manager or his designee to apply for funding for a grant from the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration through the New Hampshire Department of Safety to apply for grant funding for Project FIRST (First Responders Initiating Recovery, Support, and Treatment).

On September 25, 2020, the Fire Department was notified that the City had been awarded funding in the amount of \$145,475. A program director has been hired, and public education efforts are underway including: responder training, community outreach, and data analysis to assess program performance.

Discussion

The Fire and Police Departments will continue to provide regular updates to the City Administration on the progress of program implementation.