Executive Summary Form

Agenda Number: 4196

Recommendation:
Approval of IGA ADHS19-207425 for WIC Services (WIC) and the Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program (BFPC) between the Arizona Department of Health Services and Cochise Health and Social Services for the period of 10/1/2018 – 9/30/2023, with FY19 funding of $581,930 for WIC and $48,500 for BFPC.

Background (Brief):
The WIC Program is a supplemental nutrition program for income-eligible women, infants, and children, providing local families with nutrition education and referrals to social services within the county. The program also provides food vouchers to clients for a variety of nutritionally healthy staple foods, including milk, eggs, juice, fruit, vegetables, meat, peanut butter, and beans.

The Breastfeeding Peer Counselor Program provides counseling and support services that complement the WIC-provided breastfeeding education by allowing for additional, more in-depth education by a peer counselor trained through a breastfeeding curriculum. The goal of the BFPC program is to increase the incidence and duration of breastfeeding for all breastfeeding women in Cochise County.

IGA ADHS19-207425 is based on an annual WIC caseload of 3,500.

Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:

The WIC and BFPC grants are cost-reimbursement, with the total net county subsidy of $215,239, calculated as follows:

Grant	Amount	Salaries + ERE's	Negotiated Overhead	A-87 OH @46.98%	***Net Co. Subsidy***
WIC	$581,930	$474,183	$27,711	$222,771	***$195,060***
BFPC	$48,500	$42,951	$0	$20,178	***$20,178***
FM	"As Needed"	$0	$0	$0	***$0***
Total:	$630,430	$517,134	$27,711	$242,950	***$215,239***

Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:
Your approvals are respectfully requested.

Impact of Not Approving:
The WIC Program has provided nutrition services to low-income families in Cochise County for over 30 years. Approximately 3,500 county residents would be impacted by the discontinuation of the WIC and BFPC Programs. During these tough economic times, Cochise County families depend on the WIC Program to help meet their nutritional needs.