Public Health—Madison and Dane County
Give Kids a Smile
Resolution #2008-02

For the last six years, Give Kids a Smile has sought to improve access to oral health care for school-age, low-income children in Madison and Dane County by providing comprehensive oral health care. The program works with local dentists who donate treatment services in their own offices. School personnel conduct the screening and identification of the children. Transportation and interpreter services are provided to participating families at no charge so that these are not barriers to participation in this program. There will be a media campaign to educate parents and children about the importance of oral health care in preventing dental disease, as well as generating support for oral health care access for children.

Public Health—Madison and Dane County is the fiscal agent for Give Kids a Smile. Program staff oversees the work of the two coordinators. The $22,000 annual budget for Give Kids a Smile is all raised from outside organizations. About $5,500 is spent on the coordinators, with another $8,000 budgeted for interpreters. About 275 children will receive services in 2008.

Public Health—Madison and Dane County has been awarded a grant by the United Way for $8,000 in 2007 and another $8,000 in 2008. The resolution authorizes the acceptance of this grant and the execution of a two-year grant contract with United Way of Dane County, Inc.

> THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Health for Madison and Dane County, on behalf of Public Health—Madison and Dane County, authorizes the acceptance of grants offered by the United Way for 2007 and 2008 of $8,000 for each year and authorizes the Director to sign a contract with United Way of Dane County, Inc. to accept this grant money and establish the Department's obligations under this grant, for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008.

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