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**Subject:** Re: Approval for Travel: HIP Power Building Partnerships for Health Collective Gathering

Hi Steve,

I am emailing to let you know Aia Hawari, Sona Fokum, Tynisha George and I all attended the Human Impact Partners (HIP) Power-building Partnerships for Health (PPH) cohort gathering on April 16th-18th, 2024 in New Orleans, Louisiana in our official capacity. Accommodations and travel costs were paid for by HIP at no cost to the City of Chicago.

Please let us know if you need anything else from us. Thank you.

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Thank you, Steve.

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Good afternoon Steve,

I'm writing to request approval for the travel of Aia Hawari, Sona Fokum, Tynisha George, and Stephanie Salgado as CDPH staff members.

Aia Hawari, Sona Fokum, Tynisha George, and Stephanie Salgado have been invited by **Human Impact Partners to attend the Power-building Partnerships for Health (PPH) cohort gathering– April 16th-18th, 2024 in New Orleans, Louisiana**. Accommodations, food, and all travel costs will be covered and reserved by HIP at no cost to the City of Chicago.

We are requesting to travel the evening of April 15<sup>th</sup> in order to be on time for the start of the meeting at 9am April 16<sup>th</sup>. We will make all efforts to ensure HIP books our departure flights for New Orleans to leave a time that minimizes interruption of work hours.

Sona, Tynisha and Stephanie are requesting to return to Chicago on April 19<sup>th</sup> as the meeting ends at 8pm the previous night of April 18<sup>th</sup>. Again, we will make all efforts to ensure our departure flights to Chicago arrive at a time that minimizes interruption of work hours.

Aia is requesting to return the evening of April 17<sup>th</sup> as she has personal and professional conflicts that limit her ability to stay for the remainder of the meeting. Similarly, she will work to ensure her departure flight does not conflict with work hours as much as possible.

The PPH program cultivates collaborations between local health departments and community power-building organizations to advance health equity. The staff members mentioned are part of a cohort of a few health department representatives from across the country that have been accepted to participate in the 2024 cohort with one of our community partners and delegate community-based organizations, Northwest Center (NWC). As part of the scope of work, health department staff is asked to attend one in person cohort meeting to introduce our partnership with NWC to fellow cohort participants and participate in technical assistance trainings to support our work in the year-long cohort program.

The Power Building Partnerships for Health meeting will allow timely and relevant information & best practices to be brought back to our department. The meetings will allow attendees to explore evidence-based practices and policies that aim to advance the health and well-being of communities disproportionately impacted by health inequities and convene health department and CBO representatives to bolster collaboration and information sharing to advance equity and strengthen public health systems in partnership with communities.

This is consistent with Healthy Chicago 2025, the city's plan to eliminate our racial life expectancy gap, and of critical importance to CDPH given our leadership role in implementing Healthy Chicago 2025 and its corresponding Healthy Chicago Equity Zones and Health Equity in All Policies initiatives.

Thank you in advance for reviewing our request.

Sincerely,

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