



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The Department of Public Service, Division of Refuse Collection, Keep Columbus Beautiful (KCB) program is eligible to apply for a grant sponsored by Anheuser Busch in conjunction with KCB's affiliation with KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL. The grant, called "2009 KAB/Anheuser-Busch Environmental Grant" is requesting support to expand KickButtColumbus, to an awareness and abatement campaign with a focus on Fast Food litter on area highway ramps and neighborhood intersections in spring of 2010. KickButtColumbus! is a collaborative effort between the City of Columbus, State of Ohio, area businesses, young professional organizations and citizens who organize and participate in a one-day volunteer event to remove accumulated trash and debris from highway interchanges and exit ramps which serve as gateways into city neighborhoods.

The "2009 KAB/Anheuser-Busch Environmental Grant" will distribute \$55,000 in grant awards with the maximum of \$10,000 to be awarded to affiliates in good standing who meet all grant qualifications. The announcement of awards will take place in December with funds available shortly after in 2009 and all funds must be used by August of 2010. The affiliate must partner with a local Anheuser-Busch wholesaler. (The Columbus Distributing Company)

Keep Columbus Beautiful is requesting an award of \$10,000.00 to re-implement a sustainable litter abatement program for select ramps and interchanges leading to core city neighborhoods with designated driving points such as Children's Hospital, The Ohio State University, Short North/Arena District/Convention Center, Capital University/DeVry Institute, State Offices, Crew Stadium and more. This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Service to formally apply for the grant on behalf of Keep Columbus Beautiful and accept it, if awarded, on behalf of the City of Columbus; it also authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of these funds within the Private Grant Fund.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

No city match is required for this grant. No use of city dollars is expected. Keep Columbus Beautiful can and should recruit local non-City of Columbus financial or in-kind contributions to support the initiative that grant dollars will be used for. Local support will showcase the community's sense of commitment to the mission, ability to sustain the initiative beyond 2010, and offset the overall cost of the project. KCB resources that will be dedicated to managing/implementing this grant are included in the program's 2009 operating budget within the Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund and 2010 General Fund.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to apply for this funding to meet the application deadline. Applications must be submitted online by October 12, 2009. If awarded, monies must be used to complete a litter cleanup activity by August of 2010.

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To authorize the City of Columbus Director of Public Service to apply on behalf of Keep Columbus Beautiful (affiliate member) to Keep America Beautiful to request funding from the 2009 KAB/Anheuser-Busch Environmental community improvement grant partnership to support and expand KickButtColumbus! into an awareness and abatement effort to remove FAST FOOD LITTER from targeted ramps and interchanges leading into neighborhoods with highly visible destination areas and accept said grant; if awarded to authorize the appropriation of \$10,000.00 within the Private Grant Fund; and to authorize the expenditure of \$10,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed for this purpose from the Private Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$10,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Keep Columbus Beautiful program is eligible to apply for the 2009 KAB/Anheuser-Busch Environmental Grant; and

WHEREAS, this grant is designed to facilitate a fast food litter awareness promotion and abatement event in Spring of 2010 and collaborative efforts with community partners and the City of Columbus, state and local county jurisdictions who remove litter on highways and partnering with KEEP OHIO BEAUTIFUL and their annual spring partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation for roadway cleanups; and

WHEREAS, Keep Columbus Beautiful must submit an online application by October 12, 2009; and

WHEREAS, it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Service to apply for the grant and accept it if awarded as soon as possible to allow the planning for an effective public-private litter abatement project and miscellaneous sustainable efforts in Spring of 2010; thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Service be and hereby is authorized to apply for the 2009 KAB/Anheuser-Busch Environmental Grant designed to facilitate a Fast Food Litter awareness promotion and abatement event in Spring of 2010 and collaborative efforts with community partners and the City of Columbus, state and local county jurisdictions who clean up litter on highways and partnering with KEEP OHIO BEAUTIFUL annual spring partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation for roadway cleanups and to accept said grant if awarded.

Section 2. That from the unappropriated balance of the Private Grant Fund, Fund 291, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009, the sum of \$10,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated to the Division of Refuse Collection, Department No. 59-02, Object Level One Code 02, Object Level Three Code 2200, OCA codes and grant numbers to be established by the City Auditor as necessary.

Section 3. That dollars remaining as of December 31, 2009, appropriated from the Private Grant Fund be allowed to be rolled into the following year appropriation.

Section 4. That the monies appropriated in Section 2 shall be paid upon order of the Director of Public Service and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

Section 5. That the Director of Public Service be and hereby is authorized to expend \$10,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed to pay appropriate "2009 KAB/Anheuser-Busch Environmental Grant " program expenses from the Private Grant Fund, Fund 291, Division of Refuse Collection, Department No. 59-02, Object Level One Code 02, Object Level Three Code 2200, OCA codes and grant numbers to be established by the City Auditor as necessary.

Section 6. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.