



City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate a total of \$429,990.00 in grant money to fund the Get Vaccinated Ohio (GVO) grant program, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

The GVO program will enable Columbus Public Health to ensure that critical elements of vaccine provided and the vaccine delivery system are adequate; to establish and maintain a high level of awareness and demand for immunizations by parents, particularly racial/ethnic minority parents and other under-served population groups; and to accurately measure the ability of local vaccine providers to raise immunizations levels in children under the age of two toward the goal of 90% coverage.

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the city's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Get Vaccinated Ohio Program is funded by a grant from the Ohio Department of Health.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a Get Vaccinated Ohio Grant from the Ohio Department of Health; to authorize the appropriation of \$429,990.00 in grant money from the unappropriated balance of the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$429,990.00)

WHEREAS, \$429,990.00 in grant funds have been made available through the Ohio Department of Health for the Get Vaccinated Ohio Grant Program for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from the Ohio Department of Health for the support of the Get Vaccinated Ohio Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the city's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to accept these grant funds from the Ohio Department of Health and to appropriate these funds to the Health Department to ensure the immediate delivery of immunization services, all for the immediate preservation of 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 Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to accept a grant award of \$429,990.00 from the Ohio Department of Health for the Get Vaccinated Ohio grant program for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Health Department's Grants Fund, Fund No. 2251, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources during the grant period, the sum of \$429,990.00 and

any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated upon receipt of an executed grant agreement to the Health Department, Division No. 5001, according to the attached accounting document.

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Health Commissioner and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except upon voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. That at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused city match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 5. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. That all related fee revenue income is hereby deemed appropriated.

SECTION 7. That for 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.