



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** Columbus Public Health has been awarded additional funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through the Ohio Department of Health. This ordinance is needed to accept the additional funding of \$22,250.00 in grant monies for the Dental Sealant Program for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. With the additional funds, the grant award total is \$111,250.00.

The primary purpose of the Dental Sealant Program is to prevent dental caries among school children through an evidence-based community approach. The program targets higher-risk schools in order to reach higher-risk children in 2nd and 6th grades. In addition to seeing/serving the current second and sixth grade students, the program will recheck the now third and seventh grade students that were seen the previous year.

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transactions to be posted in the City's accounting system as soon as possible given the additional funding end date of December 31, 2024

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The Dental Sealant program is entirely funded by the grant from Ohio Department of Health and does not generate revenue or require a City Match.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept additional funds from Ohio Department of Health in the amount of \$22,250.00 for the Dental Sealant program that prevents dental cavities among school children through an evidence-based community approach; to authorize the appropriation of \$22,250.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Health Department Grants Fund; to authorize an expenditure of \$22,250.00 from the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$22,250.00)

**WHEREAS,** \$22,250.00 in grant funds have been made available through the Ohio Department of Health for the Dental Sealant grant program for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from the Ohio Department of Health for the continued support of the Dental Sealant 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 due to the January 1, 2024 start date. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to accept these grant funds from the Ohio Department Health and to appropriate these funds to Columbus Public Health to facilitate financial accounting by the additional funding end date of December 31, 2024, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, and safety, and to avoid delay in client services; **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 additional funds in the amount of \$22,250.00 from the Ohio Department of Health for the Dental Sealant grant program for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

**SECTION 2.** That the Auditor's Office is authorized to adjust appropriations to match current awarded amounts per the attached template and authorized to adjust appropriations as required for future award amount changes from the grantor 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 \$22,250.00 and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 5001, according to the attached accounting document, upon receipt of an executed grant agreement.

**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 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 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.