

## City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract for promotoras services at the Health Department's facility located at 240 Parsons Ave as well as nearby health clinics. Promotoras service is a specialized service which entails a variety of responsibilities including, distributing health education and information, making client referrals for health services, facilitating the transportation needs of the clients, answering and responding to phone calls, and assisting the clinic director/staff in meeting the communication needs of Spanish-speaking clients. The Columbus Health Department has a need to provide promotoras interpretation services for persons with limited English proficiency who receive services at the Health Department clinics. The Health Department has a need to make funds available to contract with the Ohio Hispanic Coalition. The contract period is April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009. The Ohio Hispanic Coalition is a non profit and is not required to be contract compliant. Their contract compliance number is 311477946.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any delays in providing program services.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding for this purchase is budgeted in the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund 250.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to enter into a contract with the Ohio Hispanic Coalition for promotoras services; to authorize the total expenditure of \$32,000 from the Health Special Revenue Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$32,000)

WHEREAS, a need exists for specialized promotoras services for persons with limited English proficiency who receive services at the Health Department clinics; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Hispanic Coalition developed a specialized promotoras language interpretation service which is more interactive and involved with clients than standard language interpretation; and,

**WHEREAS**, because the Ohio Hispanic Coalition is a not for profit agency, this contract is being entered into in accordance with Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Code; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is being submitted as an emergency measure so that timely procurement of needed services will allow the services to proceed without delay; and,

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to enter into this contract 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 to enter into contract for \$32,000.00 with the Ohio Hispanic Coalition to provide promotoras services.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$32,000.00 is hereby authorized from the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund No. 250, Division No. 50-01, OCA Code 502062, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3445.

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**SECTION 3.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes necessary to ensure that this contract is properly accounted for and recorded accurately on the City's financial records.

**SECTION 4.** 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.