



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health has been awarded a grant from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$52,500.00 to fund the Minority Health grant program for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

The Office of Minority Health at Columbus Public Health provides leadership to reduce health inequities in minority communities. The Office of Minority Health has an important responsibility in “leading” efforts to educate citizens and professionals on imperative health care issues.

As a result of the Minority Health Grant funding in 2019 we served 608 organizations and provided services to 22,000 residents. This included 8030 interpretation and translation services provided, 80 reviews of cultural documents, 21 trainings completed impacting 609 residents, consulted with program managers to ensure surveys are culturally appropriate and translated into multiple languages, and provided learning sessions about minority cultures, health beliefs and barriers for Columbus Public Health (CPH) staff members and university students.

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency so a delay in service does not occur due to the start date July 1, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Minority Health grant program is partially funded by the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for up to \$52,500.00 and requires at least a 20% City match in-kind.

To authorize the Board of Health to accept a grant from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for the Minority Health grant program in the amount of \$52,500.00; to authorize the appropriation of \$52,500.00 to the Health Department in the Health Department’s Grants Fund upon receipt of an executed agreement; and to declare an emergency. (\$52,500.00)

WHEREAS, grant funds have been made available through the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for the Minority Health grant program for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for the continued support of the Minority Health grant program; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is submitted as an emergency so delay of service does not occur; 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 Commission on Minority Health to meet deliverables and to appropriate these funds to Columbus Public Health for the immediate preservation of the public health, property, safety and welfare, 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 to accept a grant award of \$52,500.00 from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for the Minority Health grant program for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

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 up to \$52,500.00 and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No.

5001 appropriated upon receipt of an executed grant agreement to the Health Department, 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 by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. 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 for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.