

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)  
Executive Summary

Background/Purpose:

This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Health to apply for and accept grant funding from the Ohio Department of Health for the purpose of preparing for and responding to emergency incidents that could adversely affect the health and safety of individuals in the City of Cleveland.

Grant Amount: Not to exceed \$300,000 (each year).

Grant Period: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

Funding Source: Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Grant from the Ohio Department of Health

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) funding supports the salaries of three personnel:

- Deputy Emergency Preparedness Coordinator (1 FTE)
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness Specialist (1 FTE)
- Epidemiologist (1 FTE)

Other Direct Costs:

- Supplies related to program operations, training, exercise, and community outreach.
- Training and development of Office of Emergency Preparedness Staff.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) funding supports the operations of the Office of Emergency Preparedness:

- Providing 24/7 infectious disease reporting and response capabilities.
- Maintaining and training CDPH staff on All-Hazards Emergency Response Plan.
- Planning and participating in community outreach events to raise awareness of the importance of individual and family emergency preparedness planning within the City of Cleveland.
- Coordinating All-Hazards planning and response efforts with CDPH staff, other City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Northeast Ohio Regional, state and federal response partners.
- Designing and participating in All-Hazard Emergency Preparedness Exercises with City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, and Northeast Ohio Regional, state and federal response partners.
- Participating in planning and coordination of pre-planned special event operations with the City of Cleveland and the Northeast Ohio Region.
- Staffing the City of Cleveland Emergency Operations Center as the Health Medical Representative for pre-planned events.
- Being available 24/7 to staff the City of Cleveland Emergency Operations Center as the Health Medical Representative for All-Hazards emergencies to prevent, mitigate, respond to and recover from an emergency incident that has the potential to adversely affect the health and safety of individuals in the City of Cleveland.