

**Cleveland Dept Public Health  
Background/Purpose**

This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Health to apply for and accept funding from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health (OCMH) to continue operations of the Cleveland Office of Minority Health; and to enter into contracts to fulfill the obligations of the office as expressed in its grant applications.

This legislation also authorizes the Director of Public Health any additional funds that may become available to provide Office of Minority Health service. The Director of Public Health is authorized to enter into contracts as needed to implement the grant as described in the file. The OCMH announced the availability of funds to support grants for the continuation of local offices in Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Summit County, Toledo and Youngstown. Each local office must be established in local health departments. Funding eligibility is limited to City/Combined Health Districts. The Commission accepts one applicant per city.

**Mission:**

The Cleveland Office of Minority Health (COMH) is a project of the Ohio Commission on Minority Health was established by City ordinance in 2007. Legislation was introduced by Councilman Kevin Conwell. The work of the Cleveland Office of Minority Health, as required by the Ohio Commission on Minority Health, includes the following to reduce health disparities

- Monitoring and reporting the health status of minority populations
- Informing, educating, and empowering people
- Mobilizing community partnerships and actions
- Developing policies and plans to support health efforts

The purpose of the office is to advance health equity and work collaboratively with community partners to reduce health disparities among minoritized and marginalized populations including but not limited to: African Americans, Hispanic/Latinos, Asians, Native Americans, persons living in poverty and the LGBTIA+ community.

The local offices of minority health are also called to work on emerging local issues, such as infant mortality, food insecurity, lead poisoning, air quality by working with public and private partners to improve the effectiveness of our collective impact to address issues identified in the Cleveland Department of Public Health agenda.

The Director partners with internal programs and offices to advance the work of the local office and leverage OMH resources to support ongoing community efforts.

**Grant Amount:**       **\$52,500 each year**

**Term:**

**Funding Source:**     July 1, 2023 -June 30, 2025

Ohio Commission on Minority Health

## **SFY 2022-2023 HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Service Information:**

Total Numbers SFY-2022-2023 (Q3)  
Participated in 32 Community Events  
Social Media Reach: 10,028  
CDPH/OMH Website Users: 28,556  
Total Persons reached: 6,045

### **Service Highlights:**

Served as member of the County Community Health Needs Assessment Steering and Implementation Committee;  
Organized SFY 2023 Racism as a Public Health Crisis Town Hall Meeting  
Facilitator Case Comprehensive Cancer Center Disparities Symposium as film  
Co-Presenter at CityMatch National Conference  
Presenter at Accelerating Equity Conference  
Completion of HCI We Wear the Mask Campaign  
Participated in COVID 19 podcast sponsored by the Minority Organ & Tissue Transplant Program  
Featured in MOTTEP COVID short film  
Coordinated health education marketing campaigns

Serves on Executive and Community Engagement Committees of the Racism as a Public Health Crisis Coalition  
Provided community education sessions on health disparity, equity and chronic disease and public health issues to school and community groups including the following:  
-Case Western Reserve Medical School  
-University Hospitals Birthing Justice  
-CWRU Clinical and Translational Science Minority Health Town Hall  
-Benjamin Rose  
-Better Health Partnership CHW Celebration  
-Delta Sigma Theta Healthy Women  
-VA Medical Center  
-KSU Equity in Communications

### **Major Collaborations/Committee Work:**

American Heart Association  
Area Health Education  
Better Health Partnership  
Case Comprehensive Cancer Center- Community Advisory Board Cleveland Cuyahoga  
Food Policy Coalition  
Cleveland Clinic Cancer Consortium  
Community Health Needs Assessment Steering & Implementation Committee  
Environmental Health Watch – BUILD Health Steering Committee  
LGBT Center CHNA Advisory Board  
Lutheran Hospital Community Advisory Board  
Minority Health Alliance  
National Black Child Development Institute- Program Committee  
Northeast Association for Hispanic Health  
RAPHC-C Executive Committee

SouthPoint Community Advisory Board  
Swetland Center for Environmental Health-Community Advisory Board

**Policy Initiatives:**

In SFY 2023, the Cleveland Office of Minority Health participated in the following policy initiatives:

Racism as a Public Health Crisis  
Tobacco 21 Enforcement: Retail Licensing & Flavor Ban

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**HEALTH BUDGET SFY 2024-2025**

<b>Budget Category</b>	<b>Total Year</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>
<b>Section I</b>					
Personnel (Salaries and fringes)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Section II</b>					
Travel	\$1642.00	\$410.50	\$410.50	\$410.50	\$410.50
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Supplies, Contracts, Other	\$43,055.00	\$10,764.75	10,763.75	10,763.75	\$10,763.75
Minority Health Month					
Administrative Costs	\$7,803.00	\$1,950.75	\$1,950.75	\$1,950.75	\$1,950.75
<b>Total Project Cost (Total of all budget Categories)</b>	<b>\$52,500</b>	<b>\$13,125</b>	<b>\$13,125</b>	<b>\$13,125</b>	<b>\$13,125</b>