

**Executive Summary
Federal HIV Prevention**

Background/Purpose:

This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Health to amend the grant agreement authorized by Ordinance No. 1281-17, passed November 20, 2017, relating to applying for and accepting a grant from the Ohio Department of Health for the Federal HIV Prevention Program; and to enter contracts with various agencies or entities to provide HIV testing, health education, social marketing, and risk reduction interventions to those populations most at risk.

In addition, this will allow us to reduce the incidence of HIV in the newly formed Region 3 which includes six counties: Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina.

In collaboration with the Ohio Community Planning Group and the Cuyahoga County HIV Prevention Regional Advisory Group, the goal of the Federal HIV Prevention Program is to provide HIV prevention activities in Northeast Ohio region. These activities will include: HIV/Syphilis counseling, testing, and referral services; Partner notification and linkage to care referral/Disease Intervention Specialist services, Health Education and Risk Reduction Initiatives, Public Information, Social Marketing, and Prevention with Positives.

In accordance with the Amended Substitute House Bill 119, the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number 93.940, and the ODH Integrated Care and Prevention Plan, these funds are designed to optimize the development, implementation, and evaluation of statewide HIV prevention programs. These funds are to be used to strengthen and expand HIV prevention services and materials to individuals at high risk for HIV infection.

Goal: To reduce and ultimately eliminate HIV/AIDS in the Northeast Ohio region through increased awareness of HIV/AIDS and STD prevention, education and testing.

Funding Cycle: January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2022

Funding Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention through the Ohio Department of Health to the City of Cleveland Department of Public Health.

Estimated Budget: \$1,274,511.16 (each year)

Cuyahoga County, Ohio is home to 1,248,514 residents based on the 2017 U.S. Census population estimates. Within the county lies Cleveland, Ohio. Cleveland is home to 385,525 residents. With a population this large and diverse, the Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) strives to serve that entire population related to HIV/AIDS. Through the 2019 Regional HIV/STD Prevention project, CDPH hopes to continue to serve this population and provide services.

Through the 2019 Regional HIV/STD Prevention project CDPH has also acquired additional counties that make up Region 3; the six counties include Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina. The 2017 U.S. Census population for this Northeast Ohio region is estimated at 2,153,843 residents. In 2017, Cuyahoga County had 158 newly diagnosed HIV cases. Of those 158 new cases, 105 (67%) cases were residents of Cleveland at the time of diagnosis. While this number is lower than previous years, it is still of grave concern to CDPH.

Further analysis was done on this data to see a better picture of the demographics of the HIV/AIDS cases. Male cases were the most prevalent, with 134 cases. 107 cases were African-American, specifically, 93 were African-American males. In Cleveland, there is a prevalence rate of 964.4 per 100,000 and an incidence rate of 27.2 per 100,000. This compares to Cuyahoga County as a whole by 449.2 and 12.7, respectively. As the number of persons being newly diagnosed with HIV/AIDS continues at a steady pace, the number of persons living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) continues to rise. In Cuyahoga County, 4,940 people are currently living with HIV/AIDS. Of those PLWHA, 2,543 people are currently living with HIV and 2,397 people are currently living with AIDS.

Comparatively in Region 3, 5,706 people are currently living with HIV/AIDS. Of those PLWHA, 2,920 people are currently living with HIV and 2,786 people are currently living with AIDS. Our prioritized target population for Region 3 is Persons Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA), Men who have sex with Men (MSM), Youth, High Risk Heterosexual (HRH) and Intravenous Drug Use (IDU) with MSM as a primary prevention target for syphilis. We are equally aligned with the priority list from the Ohio Department of Health.

This program will address the public health problem by striving to achieve three goals:

Reduce New HIV (and Syphilis) Infections with increased screenings, Reduce HIV/Syphilis Related Disparities and Strengthen Data Coordination. These goals are consistent with the Ohio Department of Health Integrated Plan. Service delivery will be rendered by HIV/STD prevention providers throughout the region that not only have the expertise but also best understand the need of the target populations. HIV/STD Prevention Program activities consist of behavior interventions, HIV testing and syphilis screenings, and social marketing with health education/risk reduction initiatives, partner notification and referral services and linkage to care.

BUDGET

FEDERAL HIV PREVENTION GRANT	
Department of Public Health –DIS/Partner Services	<i>\$402,619.15</i>
• Partner Services @ 60%	\$402,619.15
Department of Public Health - Administration	<i>\$41,892.01</i>
• Travel (mileage)	\$19,462.01
• Professional Development/Training	\$6,430.00
• Printing	\$1,000.00
• Office Supplies	\$1,500.00
• Medical Supplies/Materials	\$3,500.00
• Awareness Events	\$10,000.00
Department of Public Health – Contracts	<i>\$830,000.00</i>
Total:	<i>\$1,274,511.16</i>