



Proposed fees for 2023 were determined by conducting a cost methodology using 2021 data, as per the Ohio Administrative Code. Below is a table that outlines the fees and number of facilities in 2021, along with the proposed 2023 fees and the associated percentage increase.

Facility Type	# of Facilities (2021)	2021 Fee	2022 Proposed Fee	% Increase
Tattoo and/or Body Piercing Business	79	\$181.50	\$225.00	24%
Tattoo and/or Body Piercing Time-Limited	1	\$82.50	\$100.00	21%

Background:

- We did not raise fees for 2022 despite 2020 data showing operating at a deficit because of concerns that extra revenue from delayed licensing deadline (due to Covid) could exceed program costs.
- Despite the extra revenue, our 2021 program costs (\$26,328) still exceeded our revenue by \$4,647 for an operating deficit of -17.7%
- In 2021, we had one time-limited body art event which operated at a 45% deficit.

Rationale for a 24% increase in fees:

- As of 8/10/2022, we are up to 91 approved body art businesses. New businesses require more staff time than established businesses, increasing the average time spent at facility.
- With the compensation adjustments made in late 2021, all staff working in the Body Art Program saw significant wage increases which drives up our program costs.
- Even if program costs were to hold steady from 2021 to 2022 (which is unlikely), at our current number of approvals (91), we would still be operating at a 22% deficit with the fee increase.

2021 Program Costs	\$ 26,328.40
2022 Projected Revenue	\$ 20,475.00
2022 Projected Surplus/Deficit	\$ (5,853.40)
2022 % Projected Surplus/Deficit	-22.23%

Recommendation:

It is in FCPH's best interest to increase fees for 2023. We have been operating at a deficit for a few years, and program costs continue to increase. This increase still leaves our fees on average less than other comparable health departments.

	FCPH proposed	Columbus	Cuyahoga	Hamilton	Delaware
Renewal fee	\$225	\$350	\$600	\$300	\$250
Time-limited	\$100	\$75	\$150 + \$25/day	None listed	\$150