

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AND ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE OHIO COMMISSION ON MINORITY HEALTH FOR THE 2024 MINORITY HEALTH MONTH GRANT (REVENUE OF \$2,898.19).

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) has been awarded funding from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for the purpose of supporting activities that increase community wellness and empowerment among residents in Whitehall and Reynoldsburg focused on promoting access to healthcare and prevention of cardiovascular disease, diabetes, substance use, and mental health disorders;

WHEREAS, on average, residents of zip code 43213 and 43068 have higher rates of diabetes cases, strokes, coronary heart disease cases (CHD), and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) cases than what is observed throughout Franklin County, including Columbus city. Additionally, 43213 was among the top 10 zip codes in Franklin County for EMS naloxone administration in 2018;

WHEREAS, 30.8% of the Hispanic/Latino population in Whitehall live below the poverty line. While 31.2% of those with Hispanic/Latino ethnicity are uninsured in comparison to 13.9% of all Whitehall residents. Additionally, Whitehall residents experienced more strokes in the year 2020 than any other city in Franklin County. Furthermore, in comparison to other cities in Franklin County, Whitehall sees the highest preterm birth rates in the non-Hispanic Asian population (15.4%), while Reynoldsburg sees the highest preterm birth rates in the non-Hispanic Black population (14.1%). Additionally, communities of color experience higher rates of high blood pressure, diabetes, and obesity;

WHEREAS, FCPH, in partnership with the Ohio Commission on Minority Health, will host two events focused on Whitehall and Reynoldsburg residents' wellness and empowerment, with specific attention to cardiovascular health, diabetes prevention, and substance abuse prevention. The first event will include a cooking demonstration which will help the attendees to be equipped with the knowledge and skills related to healthy eating and disease prevention and/or management. The second event will be a community health and wellness fair that would provide screenings, referrals, and care coordination services. Additionally, there would be fun and educational activities to participate in to increase engagement;

WHEREAS, the Division of Health System and Planning engages with the community in support of PHAB Domain 3 to inform and educate about public health issues and functions, and Domain 4 to engage with the community to identify and address health problems.

Now, therefore, upon motion of Board Member _____, second by Board Member _____;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, BOARD MEMBERS;

1. That the Health Commissioner is authorized to enter into contract with and accept funding from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health to host two community health education and empowerment events. (Revenue of \$2,898.19)
2. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Voting Aye Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health

Voting Nay Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health