

RESOLUTION 24-017

February 13, 2024

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND (WPCLF) AGREEMENT WITH OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (OEPA) FOR THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS ("HSTS") OR THE ABANDONMENT OF HSTS AND CONNECTION TO AVAILABLE AND ACCESSIBLE SANITARY SEWER (REVENUE AND EXPENSE OF \$150,000.00)

WHEREAS, this resolution supports Environmental Health Division Strategic Goal #1 to connect environmental health work to social determinants of health, and Goal #3 of equitable policies and practices;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water Act, states may provide loans and other types of financial assistance from a water pollution control revolving loan fund to local communities;

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly created the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF), administered by Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) to offer financial assistance in the form of principal forgiveness subsidies to eligible homeowners, including homeowners within the jurisdiction of the General Health District of Franklin County, Ohio, to replace or repair their failing household sewage treatment systems (HSTS) or the abandonment of HSTS and connection to available and accessible sanitary sewer;

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health seeks to repair and/or replace failing home sewage treatment systems;

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health has applied to the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund for the repair or replacement of failing home sewage treatment systems;

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health has been awarded funds by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund;

WHEREAS, the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund requires the government authority to pass legislation for application of a loan and the execution of a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund assistance agreement; and

WHEREAS, this resolution supports Environmental Health Division Strategic Goals of connecting environmental health work to social determinants of health, equitable policies and practices, and sustainable funding.

Now, therefore, upon motion of Board Member _____, seconded by Board Member _____,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH BOARD MEMBERS:

1. That the Health Commissioner is hereby authorized to apply for a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund assistance agreement, sign all documents for and enter into a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the repair or replacement of failing household sewage treatment systems or the abandonment of HSTS and connection to available and accessible sanitary sewer on behalf of the General Health District of Franklin County, Ohio (\$150,000).
2. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from March 1, 2024 through November 30, 2025.

Voting Aye Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health

Voting Nay Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health