

Department of Columbus Public Health

Department Description

Columbus Public Health (CPH) protects, promotes and monitors the health of the public by:

- Assuring compliance with public health laws, mandates and regulations;
- Establishing policy to address health issues and emerging health threats; and
- Providing preventive, environmental, community, clinical and home-based services.

Department Mission

Columbus Public Health is a leader in improving the health and safety of Columbus by monitoring community health status, identifying and addressing public health threats, enforcing laws that protect the public's health, and providing services to prevent and control disease.

Strategic Priorities for 2012

From the Columbus Covenant:

Neighborhoods

- Provide services to prevent, investigate and control infectious diseases, including communicable disease outbreaks, sexually transmitted infections, and food-borne and water-borne illnesses.
- Continue to provide high quality clinical services for children and families including sexual health, immunization, dental, and prenatal services. Staff will continue to reduce barriers to service by providing such services as translation and evening hours.
- Columbus Public Health will lead the city's ongoing efforts to combat the current epidemic of obesity by implementing strategies to make Columbus an active and vibrant community. Programming and initiatives dedicated to these efforts include Get Active Columbus, Healthy Children Healthy Weights, the Institute of Active Living, farmers markets and community gardens, bike and walking paths, walking maps and art walks, the Creating Healthy Communities Network, Women Infant and Children (WIC) and the Healthier Choices Committee.
- Provide public health services, such as immunizations, tuberculosis control, and prenatal services for immigrants and refugees and other vulnerable residents.
- Continue to work with the Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers, Inc. (CNHC) and others groups to help support quality primary care for as many as possible.
- Maintain social work staff in neighborhood pride centers and other venues to assist vulnerable residents. The goal is to protect residents' health and safety,

primarily by linking them to needed health and social services and through the community-focused public health nursing corps.

Safety

- Continue departmental and community planning to prepare for and respond to a range of disasters or emergencies, including bioterrorism. Community leadership, public education and staff training will continue in 2012 with an emphasis on providing the highest level of public health protection possible for all Columbus residents.
- Implement a year round seasonal influenza initiative to better protect Columbus residents and workplaces.

Education

- Coordinate with other city departments and agencies to enhance the safety of children near and around schools.
- Improve health in minority and lower income communities through neighborhood-based Health Advisory committees and partnership initiatives.
- Continue school inspection services and collaborative efforts with Columbus City School nurses to respond to children's pressing health needs.

Customer Service

- Continue the SIGNS community education program for Columbus residents. This program provides information to the public on the safety of restaurants, pools, schools and other venues inspected by the Environmental Health Division. The transition to enhanced mobile web technology will improve efficiency.

Peak Performance

- Continue e-mail notification system to provide important public health information to subscribers through Columbus Public Health's website and social media.
- Enhance technology in the vital statistics area to allow for computer scanning and storage of birth and death certificates and regular access to data reports, including real time analysis of Franklin County residents.
- Expand quality improvement, safety and workforce training efforts in order to pursue public health accreditation status.

2012 Budget Notes

- The 2012 budget for Columbus Public Health allows for continued provision of public health services that are mandated, services that meet the priorities contained within the Columbus Covenant, and a variety of programs that the Board of Health deems essential.
- The city will provide \$5.1 million in funding to the Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers, Inc., an increase of \$107,860 from 2011.
- The 2012 budget provides funding for the Take Care Columbus program, which links patients with clinical preventive services in the community and the GLBT/Latino Health Disparities program, which deals with HIV and syphilis issues in the GLBT community.
- The department will continue to address increasing public health and community imperatives, including pandemic disease outbreaks by monitoring disease outbreaks and promoting infection control.
- Both the dental clinic program, which serves uninsured clients, and the dental sealant program, which provides preventive sealants to low income school children, will continue in 2012.
- Additional general fund moneys are being allocated for translation services to better serve the growing non-English speaking population. The amount available for these contracts in 2012 totals \$219,000.

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Budget and Program Summary

DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL SUMMARY					
DIVISION SUMMARY	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	2011 Original Appropriation	2011 Estimated Expenditures	2012 Proposed
Health	\$ 21,881,982	\$ 21,947,902	\$ 25,237,006	\$ 24,311,942	\$ 26,009,933
TOTAL	\$ 21,881,982	\$ 21,947,902	\$ 25,237,006	\$ 24,311,942	\$ 26,009,933

DIVISION SUMMARY BY OBJECT LEVEL ONE					
HEALTH SPECIAL REVENUE FUND EXPENDITURES SUMMARY	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	2011 Original Appropriation	2011 Estimated Expenditures	2012 Proposed
Personnel	\$ 14,888,792	\$ 14,628,650	\$ 17,462,282	\$ 16,746,641	\$ 18,161,972
Materials & Supplies	523,503	439,428	712,400	636,372	608,900
Services	6,185,763	6,617,386	6,789,924	6,669,579	7,005,072
Other	16,673	14,412	17,750	4,700	3,750
Capital	20,000	-	-	-	8,000
Transfers	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 21,634,731	\$ 21,699,876	\$ 24,982,356	\$ 24,057,292	\$ 25,787,694

DIVISION SUMMARY BY OBJECT LEVEL ONE					
HEALTH CDBG FUND EXPENDITURES SUMMARY	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	2011 Original Appropriation	2011 Estimated Expenditures	2012 Proposed
Personnel	\$ 247,251	\$ 243,135	\$ 254,650	\$ 254,650	\$ 222,239
Supplies	-	4,891	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 247,251	\$ 248,026	\$ 254,650	\$ 254,650	\$ 222,239

DEPARTMENT SUMMARY BY FUND					
FUND SUMMARY	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	2011 Original Appropriation	2011 Estimated Expenditures	2012 Proposed
Health Special Revenue	\$ 21,634,731	\$ 21,699,876	\$ 24,982,356	\$ 24,057,292	\$ 25,787,694
Community Dev. Block Grant	247,251	248,026	254,650	254,650	222,239
TOTAL	\$ 21,881,982	\$ 21,947,902	\$ 25,237,006	\$ 24,311,942	\$ 26,009,933

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL SUMMARY					
DIVISION	FT/PT*	2009 Actual	2010 Actual	2011 Budgeted	2012 Budgeted
Health	FT	151	169	190	203
	PT	34	47	70	60
Community Dev. Block Grant	FT	4	3	3	4
	PT	5	5	3	0
TOTAL		194	224	266	267
*FT=Full-Time PT=Part-Time					

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Program	Mission	Financial History by Program				Personnel by Program			
		2009 Budget	2010 Budget	2011 Budget	2012 Proposed	2009 FTEs	2010 FTEs	2011 FTEs	2012 FTEs
Community Dental Services	To provide basic and preventive services to Franklin County families who are unable to access dental service due to cost.	\$ 766,073	\$ 493,942	\$ 566,033	\$ 504,646	5	5	5	4
Dental Sealants	To prevent tooth decay in children in low income families in Columbus.	\$ 201,917	\$ 139,464	\$ 133,681	\$ 148,406	0	0	0	1
Food Safety	To reduce the number of food borne illnesses in Columbus and Franklin County.	\$ 2,107,572	\$ 2,055,122	\$ 2,164,826	\$ 2,279,343	26	25	26	27
Perinatal Program	To provide comprehensive perinatal services to improve the health of pregnant and post-partum women and their infants.	\$ 987,246	\$ 866,875	\$ 873,251	\$ 879,183	10	10	10	10
Public Health Standards	To monitor and document the department and community status regarding state and national public health standards.	\$ 378,317	\$ 400,528	\$ 450,928	\$ 443,503	3	3	3	3

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Vital Statistics	To register, correct and provide birth and death information to the general public, funeral homes and other agencies in compliance with Ohio laws so they can have timely and accurate documents and information to obtain other vital services.	\$ 786,603	\$ 910,572	\$ 939,395	\$ 927,086	10	11	10	9
Healthy Schools	To protect the health and safety of community school children through elimination of environmental hazards in school facilities.	\$ 104,978	\$ 92,346	\$ 92,276	\$ 71,731	1	1	1	1
Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers	To provide financial support in the form of a contract to the Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers, Inc. (CNHC) for the delivery of primary care services to citizens of Columbus, and to monitor and review the performance of CNHC, Inc. to ensure compliance with contract provisions.	\$ 4,894,767	\$ 4,960,624	\$ 4,946,414	\$ 5,046,605	0	0	0	0

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Occupational Health and Safety	To identify workplace hazards in city divisions and facilities, evaluate the identified hazards and implement strategies to control them, and develop employee exposure monitoring requirements and written programs for specified OSHA standards.	\$ 16,755	\$ 48,750	\$ 80,871	\$ 86,442	0	1	1	1
Health Administration	To provide leadership and direction for the department and to provide related administrative and clerical functions in the areas of fiscal, human resources, information systems, and facilities management.	\$ 2,298,939	\$ 4,157,346	\$ 4,460,895	\$ 4,591,584	31	33	38	41
Employee Assistance Program	To provide voluntary, confidential, professional and short-term counseling to city employees and their families experiencing personal problems that affect their job performance; to make referrals to community resources if appropriate, and to provide education and training on	\$ 411,292	\$ 423,035	\$ 374,964	\$ 407,616	5	5	4	5

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Community Health Administration	To provide the administrative and clerical support functions for the community health division and to provide staff development services department-wide.	\$ 680,180	\$ 678,948	\$ 622,918	\$ 631,145	8	8	6	6
Community Health	To assist individuals in identifying opportunities for health improvement and provide linkage to other health and community agencies.	\$ 1,054,291	\$ 973,934	\$ 1,162,580	\$ 1,116,555	11	10	11	11
Alcohol and Drug Abuse	To provide alcohol and drug abuse prevention and education services to Columbus residents, the courts, and EAP-referred clients in a clinic setting, and to provide education and prevention services to students in public schools.	\$ 71,720	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0	0	0	0

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MCH Home Visiting	To provide interdisciplinary home visits (public health, social worker, paraprofessional) for the assessment of health status, home environment, parenting skills and social support; to provide education and training to families; and to make linkages with community resources.	\$ 561,194	\$ 644,452	\$ 565,048	\$ 475,149	5	6	5	4
Injury Prevention	To attempt to reduce death and preventable injuries to children ages 14 and under by developing public awareness and education programs and to advocate for more comprehensive public policy regarding safety issues.	\$ 29,849	\$ 31,724	\$ 37,353	\$ 49,711	0	0	0	0
Infectious Disease Administration	To provide administrative and clerical support for the infectious disease division.	\$ 445,345	\$ 537,035	\$ 711,458	\$ 693,161	5	6	7	7

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Sexual Health	To provide sexually transmitted infection (STI) diagnosis, treatment, prevention, education and referrals to people in need of sexual health services to avoid complications and transmission of STIs.	\$ 1,682,059	\$ 1,704,213	\$ 1,824,528	\$ 1,858,789	17	17	18	21
Immunization and Communicable Disease	To provide immunization services to residents of all ages, to provide outreach services and educate providers and parents to immunize against preventable disease, to provide prevention/control services through investigation and testing.	\$ 1,051,709	\$ 1,027,617	\$ 1,084,058	\$ 1,128,927	9	9	9	10
Laboratory Services	To provide laboratory services for the department.	\$ 521,841	\$ 517,784	\$ 524,863	\$ 589,793	2	2	2	4
Planning and Emergency Preparedness	To provide education and outreach services to enhance the community's ability to successfully prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from health emergencies.	\$ 201,236	\$ 183,686	\$ 256,782	\$ 250,527	2	2	3	3

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Health Education and Promotion	To facilitate requests from the media, other agencies and individuals, to research and prepare reports, presentations and other written materials and to provide education, individual assessment and opportunities to participate in physical activity classes.	\$ 12,600	\$ 70,500	\$ 120,397	\$ 528,479	0	1	1	7
Epidemiology	To conduct population-based assessments, surveillance and investigations of general or specific health-related issues through the collection or tabulation of a variety of data, and to analyze data using appropriate epidemiological and statistical techniques to determine the possible cause, nature, and consequences of health problems.	\$ 278,021	\$ 341,190	\$ 367,153	\$ 370,231	3	4	4	4

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Minority Health	To create, implement and coordinate a plan for effective and efficient communication between CPH staff and customers with limited English proficiency or hearing impairments, and to assess data collection within the department in regard to racial and ethnic minorities, providing input on their needs in the development of policies, programs, and allocation of resources.	\$ 532,403	\$ 379,087	\$ 397,587	\$ 399,542	2	2	2	2
Environmental Health Administration	To provide administrative and clerical support functions for the division.	\$ 672,486	\$ 488,371	\$ 720,740	\$ 707,755	6	6	8	8
Vector Control	To monitor and control mosquito populations in Columbus through counts, treatment and environmental control.	\$ 150,070	\$ 167,987	\$ 192,769	\$ 207,205	1	1	1	1

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Dangerous Animals and Rabies	To conduct animal investigations for all bites and dangerous animals, and to conduct seven rabies clinics annually.	\$ 231,896	\$ 218,118	\$ 213,473	\$ 211,324	2	2	2	2
Hazardous Waste/Chemical Hazards	To provide inspections for hazardous waste, underground storage tanks, etc., to monitor compliance with various rules and regulations, and to act as a clearinghouse for information about chemical hazards to be used by various organizations such as the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency.	\$ 354,148	\$ 472,325	\$ 470,300	\$ 495,223	4	5	5	5
Lead Poisoning and Indoor Air	To evaluate and reduce lead poisoning among Columbus children aged six months to six years through screening, inspection, and public information.	\$ 424,592	\$ 502,541	\$ 465,042	\$ 478,835	5	6	5	5
Environmental Health Promotion	To provide community environmental education and outreach efforts.	\$ 44,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0	0	0	0

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Water Protection	To inspect all licensed swimming pools and spas, respond to citizens' complaints, and conduct surveys and seminars for pool operators as needed.	\$ 315,219	\$ 339,044	\$ 357,561	\$ 371,728	4	4	4	4
AIDS Housing	To provide community project sponsors with the resources and incentives to devise and implement long-term comprehensive strategies for meeting the array of housing needs of low income persons infected with HIV/AIDS and related diseases.	\$ 55,421	\$ 54,016	\$ 58,862	\$ 59,709	1	1	1	1
		\$ 22,325,239	\$ 23,881,176	\$ 25,237,006	\$ 26,009,933	178	186	193	207

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