

Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs

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- The budget will allow the Commission to implement initiatives from the GROh-21 proposal
- The Commission will focus on maximizing diversity, education, and workforce and economic development statewide

OVERVIEW

Duties and Responsibilities

The Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs was created in 1977 as the Ohio Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs. Its statutory purpose, among others, is to advise the Governor, General Assembly, and state agencies on policies focusing on the special problems and needs of Spanish-speaking people. It also serves to assure that Spanish-speaking people have access to decision makers in state and local government. The Commission is made up of an 11-member board. The Revised Code requires all members of the board to have the ability to speak Spanish and to be of Spanish-speaking origin. The 2000 United States Census indicates that there are 217,213 Hispanics in Ohio. According to U.S. Census Bureau estimates, people of Hispanic or Latino origin comprise 2.3% of Ohio's population. Nationally, population projections indicate that the Hispanic population could grow by 188% by 2050.

The Budget

The budget for the Commission exceeds FY 2007 appropriations by approximately \$500,00 in each fiscal year. The \$500,000 increase will allow the Commission to implement new and expand existing initiatives outlined in its GROh-21 plan to maximize the state's diverse population and improve educational opportunities and workforce and economic development.

Agency in Brief

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Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2008	2009	2008	2009	
2	\$720,121	\$727,156	\$700,121	\$707,156	Am. Sub. H.B. 119

*Employee count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 2007.

ANALYSIS OF THE BUDGET

Single Program Series

Hispanic/Latino Initiatives

Purpose: The program series allows the agency to fulfill its mandates of gathering information on the needs of the Hispanic/Latino community and advising policy makers on those needs.

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the Hispanic-Latino Affairs program series, as well as the budget funding levels.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Revenue Fund				
GRF	148-100	Personal Services	\$160,121	\$167,156
GRF	148-200	Maintenance	\$40,000	\$40,000
GRF	148-402	Community Projects	\$500,000	\$500,000
General Revenue Fund Subtotal			\$700,121	\$707,156
General Services Fund				
601	148-602	Program Support	\$20,000	\$20,000
General Services Fund Subtotal			\$20,000	\$20,000
Total Funding: Hispanic Latino Affairs			\$720,121	\$727,156

This analysis focuses on the following specific programs within the Hispanic-Latino Affairs program series:

- **Program 1.01: Latino Community Network**
- **Program 1.02: Public Policy Center**

Program 1.01: Latino Community Network

Program Description: The Latino Community Network supports the Commission mandate to gather and disseminate information on the needs of the Hispanic-Latino community and then advise policymakers on how to best serve those needs.

Funding Source and Line Items: The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the Latino Community Network, as well as the budget funding levels.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Revenue Fund				
GRF	148-100*	Personal Services	\$95,966	\$99,483
GRF	148-200*	Maintenance	\$25,132	\$25,132
GRF	148-402	Community Projects	\$500,000	\$500,000
General Revenue Fund Subtotal			\$621,098	\$624,615
General Services Fund				
601	148-602*	Program Support	\$10,000*	\$10,000*
General Services Fund Subtotal			\$10,000	\$10,000
Total Funding: Latino Community Network			\$631,098	\$634,615

* Amount does not reflect total appropriation because the line item is used to fund other program series.

Implication of the Budget: The enacted budget will allow the Commission to increase and expand services provided through the Latino Community Network and implement new initiatives outlined in the Commission's GROh-21 proposal. GROh-21 is a two-year program that would focus on three areas in the community: maximizing diversity, education, and workforce and economic development.

Program 1.02: Public Policy Center

Program Description: The Public Policy Center supports the Commission's mandate to advise public officials on the needs of the Hispanic/Latino population in Ohio.

Funding Source and Line Items: The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the Public Policy Center program, as well as the budget funding levels.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
General Revenue Fund				
GRF	148-100*	Personal Services	\$64,155	\$67,673
GRF	148-200*	Maintenance	\$14,868	\$14,868
General Revenue Fund Subtotal			\$79,023	\$82,541
General Services Fund				
601	148-602*	Program Support	\$10,000*	\$10,000*
General Services Fund Subtotal			\$10,000	\$10,000
Total Funding: Latino Community Network			\$89,023	\$92,541

* Amount does not reflect total appropriation because the line item is used to fund other program series.

Implication of the Budget: The Commission received \$89,023 in FY 2008 and \$92,541 in FY 2009 for this program. The funding level will allow the Commission to expand and increase initiatives focused on advising legislators on the needs facing the Latino and Hispanic population statewide.

FY 2008 - 2009 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Groups

<i>Line Item Detail by Agency</i>			<i>FY 2005:</i>	<i>FY 2006:</i>	<i>FY 2007 Adj. Appropriations:</i>	<i>FY 2008 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2007 to 2008:</i>	<i>FY 2009 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2008 to 2009:</i>
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill			Version: Enacted						
SPA Hispanic / Latino Affairs, Commission on									
GRF	148-100	Personal Services	\$ 141,382	\$ 146,192	\$ 145,880	\$ 160,121	9.76%	\$ 167,156	4.39%
GRF	148-200	Maintenance	\$ 36,869	\$ 35,670	\$ 35,901	\$ 40,000	11.42%	\$ 40,000	0.00%
GRF	148-402	Community Projects	----	----	----	\$ 500,000	N/A	\$ 500,000	0.00%
General Revenue Fund Total			\$ 178,251	\$ 181,862	\$ 181,781	\$ 700,121	285.15%	\$ 707,156	1.00%
601	148-602	Gifts & Miscellaneous	\$ 20,613	\$ 4,893	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	0.00%	\$ 20,000	0.00%
General Services Fund Group Total			\$ 20,613	\$ 4,893	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	0.00%	\$ 20,000	0.00%
Hispanic / Latino Affairs, Commission on Total			\$ 198,864	\$ 186,755	\$ 201,781	\$ 720,121	256.88%	\$ 727,156	0.98%