

Greenbook

LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget

Ohio Commission on Minority Health

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Ohio Commission on Minority Health

Quick look...

- The Ohio Commission on Minority Health (OCMH) is currently advised by a board consisting of health researchers and professionals, members of the General Assembly, and directors or designees of specified state agencies. However, the budget expands board membership by adding the Director of Aging or the Director’s designee.
- Total of six staff members, including the Executive Director.
- Total budget: \$7.29 million for FY 2024 and \$7.32 million for FY 2025.
 - Sources of the budget: GRF (99.5%) and state non-GRF (0.5%).
 - Increases GRF funding by 44.8 % in FY 2024 and 0.5 % in FY 2025.

Fund Group	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
General Revenue	\$3,749,052	\$5,008,586	\$7,254,000	\$7,288,000
Dedicated Purpose	\$13,112	\$19,112	\$35,000	\$35,000
Federal	\$100,256	\$749,346	\$0	\$0
Total	\$3,862,419	\$5,777,043	\$7,289,000	\$7,323,000
% change	--	49.6%	26.2%	0.5%
GRF % change	--	33.6%	44.8%	0.5%

Agency overview

In 1986, the Governor’s Task Force on Black and Minority Health was convened to address disparities in health between the minority and majority populations. The Task Force heard public testimony from over 2,000 individuals throughout the state. One of the Task Force’s recommendations was the creation of the Ohio Commission on Minority Health (OCMH). As a result, the Commission was created in 1987. It was the first state-level office in the United States formed exclusively to address the condition of minority health. OCMH is dedicated to eliminating disparities in minority health through innovative strategies and financial opportunities, public health promotion, legislative action, public policy, and systems change. A member commission provides guidance for the agency, including its grants administration. The board is currently made up of nine members who are health researchers, health planners, and health professionals; four General Assembly members; and the directors or the director’s designee of the following state agencies: Health, Mental Health and Addiction Services, Developmental Disabilities, Job and Family Services, Higher Education, and Medicaid. H.B. 33 of the 135th General Assembly expands membership by adding the Director of Aging or the Director’s designee to the member commission. OCMH currently has six employees.

Analysis of FY 2024-FY 2025 budget

Summary of appropriations

The Commission's budget is primarily supported by the General Revenue Fund (GRF), with a small amount supported by a dedicated purpose fund (DPF). The budget provides \$7.29 million in FY 2024 and \$7.32 million in FY 2025, of which approximately 99.5% is supported by the GRF and 0.5% by state non-GRF. OCMH's budget is funded by the following appropriation items. Each of these items is discussed further below.

Operating Expenses (ALI 149321)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 149321, Operating Expenses					
\$656,822	\$681,430	\$629,996	\$787,469	\$820,000	\$839,000
% change	3.7%	-7.5%	25.0%	4.1%	2.3%

GRF line item 149321 is used primarily for general operating expenses, including payroll and fringe benefits, maintenance, and equipment.

Demonstration Grants (ALI 149501)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 149501, Demonstration Grants					
\$709,595	\$645,464	\$792,937	\$960,419	\$1,352,000	\$1,352,000
% change	-9.0%	22.8%	21.1%	40.8%	0.0%

GRF line item 149501 is used to fund grants to community health groups to promote health awareness and disease prevention among minority populations. More specifically, the line item is used to provide demonstration grants, grants to local offices of minority health, the Research Evaluation Enhancement Project, and Minority Health Month grants. Some of these are briefly described below.

Demonstration grants

OCMH provides demonstration grants to community-based health groups for activities relating to promoting health or preventing disease among the minority population, although any Ohio citizen can receive services regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, or age. The focus areas are as follows: cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, infant mortality, substance abuse, and violence. OCMH funds projects that promote behavior change by tapping into the attitudes, values, and beliefs of the target populations. Ultimately, the goal of this program is to institutionalize the projects into the health care delivery system. OCMH believes a successful outcome is when a project is selected for funding by an outside funding source or when the project is internalized by the recipient grantee.

Local offices of minority health

In FY 2008 and FY 2009, local offices of minority health were established in local health departments in Akron, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Toledo, and Youngstown. The local offices have a collaborative arrangement with OCMH. Under this program, each local office implements an action plan that addresses the following core issues: (1) monitor health status of minority populations, (2) inform, educate, and empower people, (3) mobilize community partnerships and action, and (4) develop policies and plans to support health efforts. Some of the intended outcomes are that each local office will provide a local presence for issues of minority health, serve as a mechanism for local governments to produce consistent data sets representative of the community diversity, strengthen Ohio's ability to pursue national funding, and serve as a conduit of information for trends and emerging concerns.

Minority Health Month

Minority Health Month grants are given to community-based agencies across the state. These agencies participate in a 30-day wellness campaign. Many activities take place during this campaign. Examples of past activities have included health screenings for diabetes, cancer, hypertension, HIV, oral health, and mammography, as well as provider and consumer education on chronic diseases and conditions that impact minority populations. Minority Health Month Program grants are intended to, among other things, promote healthy lifestyles, provide information to allow individuals to practice disease prevention, showcase the resources for, and providers of, health care and information, highlight the resolution of the disparate health conditions among populations, and gain support for ongoing efforts to improve minority health year round.

Lupus Program (ALI 149502)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 149502, Lupus Program					
\$113,680	\$68,173	\$86,370	\$164,208	\$118,000	\$118,000
% change	-40.0%	26.7%	90.1%	-28.1%	0.0%

GRF line item 149502 supports the Lupus Program. The Lupus Program provides patient education and aims to increase public education and awareness of lupus. The program provides support to individuals with lupus. The Lupus Foundation of America estimates that between 1.4 million and 2.0 million Americans have a form of lupus. Approximately 90% of lupus sufferers are women. The disease is also more prevalent in minority populations.

The community-based agencies awarded grants under the Lupus Program provide support and resources to individuals with lupus, their caregivers, and their providers. Grantees address educational issues for patients and the public. Typically, grantees achieve this by, among other things, sponsoring monthly support group meetings, participating in Lupus Awareness Month, and by providing a referral list of area facilities and physicians that offer medical treatment for lupus-related medical conditions.

Infant Mortality Health Grants (ALI 149503)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 149503, Infant Mortality Health Grants					
\$1,741,874	\$2,317,889	\$2,239,749	\$3,096,490	\$4,964,000	\$4,979,000
% change	33.1%	-3.4%	38.3%	60.3%	0.3%

Funds in GRF appropriation item 149503 are primarily distributed to community-based agencies to help support the continuation or establishment of a pathways community hub model that has the primary purpose of reducing infant mortality in the urban and rural communities with the highest rates of infant mortality. The hub model is a community care approach that reduces overall infant mortality, as well as infant mortality in racial and ethnic populations. Grantees must work to improve preterm birth rates and achieve goals by increasing early access to prenatal health care, providing timely postpartum visits, improving safe sleep practices, and increasing access to behavioral health services and other community services that impact healthy birth outcomes. The hub model promotes quality care to improve birth outcomes and links payment to performance.

Minority Health Conference (ALI 149601)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
Fund 4C20 ALI 149601, Minority Health Conference					
\$13,096	\$15,904	\$13,112	\$19,112	\$35,000	\$35,000
% change	21.4%	-17.6%	45.8%	83.1%	0.0%

Appropriation item 149601 funds culturally relevant conferences, public awareness activities, health expositions, and capacity building workshops to increase the awareness of the significance of minority health disparities. The Minority Health Conference typically focuses on new bodies of scientific information for culturally competent service delivery. Revenue deposited in the Minority Health Conference Fund (Fund 4C20) consists of registration fees related to conference costs, as well as donations from health and human service organizations and at times grant funds. OCMH typically partners with universities, local health departments, health care service providers, hospital systems, and businesses to leverage more funds.

FY 2024 - FY 2025 Final Appropriations

All Fund Groups

Line Item Detail by Agency			Appropriations			FY 2023 to FY 2024	Appropriations	FY 2024 to FY 2025
			FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	% Change	FY 2025	% Change
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill			Version: As Enacted					
MIH Commission on Minority Health								
GRF	149321	Operating Expenses	\$ 629,996	\$ 787,469	\$ 820,000	4.13%	\$ 839,000	2.32%
GRF	149501	Demonstration Grants	\$ 792,937	\$ 960,419	\$ 1,352,000	40.77%	\$ 1,352,000	0.00%
GRF	149502	Lupus Program	\$ 86,370	\$ 164,208	\$ 118,000	-28.14%	\$ 118,000	0.00%
GRF	149503	Infant Mortality Health Grants	\$ 2,239,749	\$ 3,096,490	\$ 4,964,000	60.31%	\$ 4,979,000	0.30%
General Revenue Fund Total			\$ 3,749,052	\$ 5,008,586	\$ 7,254,000	44.83%	\$ 7,288,000	0.47%
4C20	149601	Minority Health Conference	\$ 13,112	\$ 19,112	\$ 35,000	83.14%	\$ 35,000	0.00%
Dedicated Purpose Fund Group Total			\$ 13,112	\$ 19,112	\$ 35,000	83.14%	\$ 35,000	0.00%
3J90	149405	Healthier Communities	\$ 100,256	\$ 749,346	\$ 0	-100.00%	\$ 0	N/A
Federal Fund Group Total			\$ 100,256	\$ 749,346	\$ 0	-100.00%	\$ 0	N/A
Commission on Minority Health Total			\$ 3,862,419	\$ 5,777,043	\$ 7,289,000	26.17%	\$ 7,323,000	0.47%