

June 11, 2025

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501184

**Subject: Ordinance – Health: RISE Communities Program Grant**

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Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant, effective FY 2026, valued at up to \$1,250 from the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati Medical Center's RISE Communities program to purchase air quality monitors and fund additional air quality improvement initiatives in Cincinnati; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556, effective FY 2026.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant, effective FY 2026, valued at up to \$1,250 from the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC) and the University of Cincinnati Medical Center (UCMC)'s RISE Communities program to purchase air quality monitors and fund additional air quality improvement initiatives in Cincinnati. This Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556, effective FY 2026.

The Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati Medical Center intend to distribute grant funding received from the National Institute of Environmental Health Services (ALN 93.113) through a joint partnership known as the "Research Innovations using Sensor Technology in Environmental Justice Communities" (RISE Communities) program.

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati Medical Center approached the City with an offer of grant funding, so no application was required or submitted, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by the City Council. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant and no local match is required.

Acceptance of the RISE Communities program grant is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati" as described on pages 181-191 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director  
Steve Webb, Finance Director

Attachment

