

February 11, 2026

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council  
**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Ordinance – Health: American Public Health Association Building Bridges Learning Community Project Grant**

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Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$10,000 from the American Public Health Association Building Bridges Learning Community Project to enhance collaboration between governmental public health, nonprofit, and community-based organizations and advance health equity and overall community well-being; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$10,000 from the American Public Health Association Building Bridges Learning Community Project to enhance collaboration between governmental public health, nonprofit, and community-based organizations and advance health equity and overall community well-being. This Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

The Cincinnati Health Department and All-In Cincinnati will partner for a seven-month Learning Community to establish a Community Health Worker integration protocol to standardize workforce roles and referral workflows, develop a sustainability strategy that identifies three long-term funding pathways and aligns local policies for institutional adoption, and create a cross-agency data-sharing framework to improve service coordination and privacy standards.

The City applied for the grant on December 16, 2025, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval from the City Council. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant and no local match is required.

Acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on pages 181-192 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment