



Department Source: Public Health and Human Services

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 18, 2024

Re: Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Community Health Worker Initiative Contract

## Executive Summary

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Community Health Worker Initiative Contract amendment 2 between the City of Columbia, MO and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services in an amount not to exceed \$365,420.

## Discussion

This contract amendment continues a Community Health Worker initiative (CHWi). The CHWi identifies underserved populations and matches them with Community Health Workers to assist with education, surveillance, referrals to programs and resources in an effort to mitigate COVID-19 and help control risk factors of severe disease. COVID-19 has disproportionately affected populations placed at higher risk and who are medically underserved, including racial and ethnic minority groups, and people living in rural communities who are at higher risk of exposure, infection, hospitalization and mortality.

This amendment was anticipated during the budget process, no budget amendment is necessary.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: This is grant funding and will not impact the general fund.

Long-Term Impact: N/A

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Safe Neighborhoods, Secondary Impact: Inclusive Community, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

## Legislative History

Date	Action
5/16/2022	Ord. No. 025046 An ordinance authorizing a program services contract with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for the epidemiology and laboratory capacity community health worker initiative; amending the FY 2022 Annual Budget by adding positions in the Department of Public Health and Human Services; appropriating funds; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective. <a href="https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5650221&amp;GUID=7D61FEE6-CA37-4B3B-9701-C1F7DA4E56E8&amp;Options=ID Text &amp;Search=025046">https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5650221&amp;GUID=7D61FEE6-CA37-4B3B-9701-C1F7DA4E56E8&amp;Options=ID Text &amp;Search=025046</a>

## Suggested Council Action

Should the Council agree with staff recommendations, an affirmative vote is in order.