

**Commission on Minority Health**

**Role and Overview**

The [Commission on Minority Health](#) (MIH) promotes health awareness and prevents diseases among members of economically disadvantaged minority populations by providing demonstration grants to community-based organizations.

The commission has an 18-member board that sets policy for the administration of the agency and grants. The Governor appoints nine members to the board, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate each appoint two members. Board members also include the directors of the Departments of Health, Job and Family Services, Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or their designees.

The commission awards grants to community-based programs and monitors program implementation. The commission funds approximately 120 projects each year. Most projects are implemented in April, which is designated as Minority Health Month. The projects use culturally specific approaches to prevent and alleviate six diseases and conditions that cause premature deaths among economically disadvantaged minority groups. The six diseases and conditions are cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer, infant mortality, substance abuse, and violence. Additionally, the commission provides grants for support activities for systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE).

In addition to these funds, the commission is currently in its sixth and final year of a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Minority Health. This grant is a State and Territorial Minority HIV/AIDS Demonstration Grant Program that is designed to build capacity and infrastructure within the seven metropolitan coalitions established by the commission.

**Executive Priorities for the Commission on Minority Health**

- Reduce the incidence and severity of diseases or conditions that are responsible for excess morbidity and mortality in minority populations.

**Summary of Budget History and Recommendations**

(In thousands) BUDGET FUND GROUP	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE FY 2005	% CHANGE FY 04-05	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004			FY 2006	% CHANGE	FY 2007	% CHANGE
General Revenue Fund	1,524	1,489	1,427	1,346	(5.6)	1,346	.0	1,346	.0
Fed Special Revenue Fund Group	157	239	141	361	156.0	150	(58.4)	150	.0
State Special Revenue Fund Group	219	139	40	150	273.3	250	66.7	150	(40.0)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>1,608</b>	<b>1,857</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>1,746</b>	<b>(6.0)</b>	<b>1,646</b>	<b>(5.7)</b>

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(In thousands) OBJECT OF EXPENSE	FY 2002	ACTUAL		ESTIMATE FY 2005	% CHANGE FY 04-05	RECOMMENDED			
		FY 2003	FY 2004			FY 2006	% CHANGE	FY 2007	% CHANGE
Personal Services	407	469	502	588	17.2	629	6.9	637	1.2
Purchased Services	138	151	50	65	29.5	121	86.8	54	(55.3)
Maintenance	113	180	105	338	223.1	141	(58.2)	98	(30.5)
Equipment	21	0	0	2	290.6	0	(100.0)	0	.0
Subsidy	1,222	1,066	951	865	(9.1)	855	(1.1)	857	.3
Transfer & Other	0	1	0	0	.0	0	.0	0	.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>1,608</b>	<b>1,857</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>1,746</b>	<b>(6.0)</b>	<b>1,646</b>	<b>(5.7)</b>

## PROGRAM SERIES 01: Grant Programs

This program series promotes health and disease prevention in minority populations through grant awards to community-based agencies and organizations.

### Program 01.01: Demonstration Grants

This program funds innovative and culturally specific projects that address a specific community with a methodology that yields measurable outcomes for behavior change. Grants must identify one or more of the six diseases and conditions, or risk factors responsible for excessive, premature deaths in the community. This program seeks to institutionalize culturally appropriate projects into the healthcare delivery system.

#### What the Budget Buys:

- Funds five grants that focus on changing life styles and behaviors of minority population at risk of contracting one or more of the targeted diseases; and
- Provides funding for 80 percent of MIH's administrative expenses.

FUND GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	RECOMMENDED	
				FY 2006	FY 2007
GRF	GRF	149-321	Operating Expenses	431,455	431,455
GRF	GRF	149-501	Minority Health Grants	500,000	500,000
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>931,455</b>	<b>931,455</b>

### Program 01.02: Lupus Grants

This program provides grants for lupus programs for patient, public, and professional education. In addition, lupus grants can be used to encourage and develop local centers, which gather lupus information, provide screenings, and provide outreach to women of color.

#### What the Budget Buys:

- Funds grants of up to \$13,000 per year to local entities focused on the treatment of Lupus.

FUND GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	RECOMMENDED	
				FY 2006	FY 2007
GRF	GRF	149-321	Operating Expenses	53,932	53,932
GRF	GRF	149-502	Lupus Program	136,126	136,126
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>190,058</b>	<b>190,058</b>

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### Program 01.03: HIV Grants

This grant program is funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health. This is a six-year infrastructure and capacity building grant with coalition sites in Ohio's seven metropolitan areas.

#### What the Budget Buys:

- Funds one grant to a minority agency in seven metropolitan areas to provide infrastructure and build capacity for the HIV community; and
- Provides funding for one staff member.

FUND GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	RECOMMENDED	
				FY 2006	FY 2007
FED	3J9	149-602	Federal Grants	150,000	150,000
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>150,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>

### Program 01.04: Minority Health Grants

This program is a high visibility wellness campaign, conducted throughout the state during the month of April each year.

#### What the Budget Buys:

- Provides individual grants, not exceeding \$2,000 per applicant, throughout the state to help publicize Minority Health Month activities.

FUND GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	RECOMMENDED	
				FY 2006	FY 2007
GRF	GRF	149-321	Operating Expenses	53,932	53,932
GRF	GRF	149-501	Minority Health Grants	170,965	170,965
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>224,897</b>	<b>224,897</b>

## PROGRAM SERIES 02: Capacity Building and Education

This program series increases service and performance of community-based agencies, increases skill performance of health providers, improves measurable behavior changes of community groups, and institutionalizes systems change.

### Program 02.01: Minority Health Conferences

This program develops culturally relevant conferences, symposiums, etc. to build capacity for service delivery in communities of color. Typically, these activities focus on new bodies of scientific information, modalities for culturally competent service delivery, etc. Program activities may be disease specific or be designed to address statewide needs of racial/ethnic/geographic populations.

#### What the Budget Buys:

- Provides funds for culturally relevant conferences; and
- Provides \$100,000 in fiscal year 2006 for a statewide health disparities conference.

FUND GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	RECOMMENDED	
				FY 2006	FY 2007
SSR	4C2	149-601	Minority Health Conference	250,000	150,000
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>250,000</b>	<b>150,000</b>

## LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Minority Health

FUND	ALI	ALI TITLE	FY 2002 ACTUAL	FY 2003 ACTUAL	FY 2004 ACTUAL	FY 2005 ESTIMATE	FY 2006 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2007 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
GRF	149-321	Operating Expenses	539,317	560,505	532,035	539,318	539,319	.0	539,319	.0
GRF	149-501	Minority Health Grants	840,231	776,162	756,642	670,966	670,965	.0	670,965	.0
GRF	149-502	Lupus Program	144,485	152,339	137,856	136,126	136,126	.0	136,126	.0
<b>TOTAL General Revenue Fund</b>			<b>1,524,033</b>	<b>1,489,006</b>	<b>1,426,533</b>	<b>1,346,410</b>	<b>1,346,410</b>	<b>.0</b>	<b>1,346,410</b>	<b>.0</b>
3J9	149-602	Federal Grants	157,240	238,977	140,920	360,800	150,000	(58.4)	150,000	.0
<b>TOTAL Fed Special Revenue Fund Group</b>			<b>157,240</b>	<b>238,977</b>	<b>140,920</b>	<b>360,800</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>(58.4)</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>.0</b>
4C2	149-601	Minority Health Conference	219,294	138,608	40,187	150,000	250,000	66.7	150,000	(40.0)
<b>TOTAL State Special Revenue Fund Group</b>			<b>219,294</b>	<b>138,608</b>	<b>40,187</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>(40.0)</b>
<b>TOTAL Comm on Minority Health</b>			<b>1,900,567</b>	<b>1,866,591</b>	<b>1,607,640</b>	<b>1,857,210</b>	<b>1,746,410</b>	<b>(6.0)</b>	<b>1,646,410</b>	<b>(5.7)</b>