



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

**Date:** September 16, 2005

**To:** HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
**Referral to:** WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET

**Subject:** ACCEPT FEDERAL CITIES READINESS INITIATIVE FUNDS FROM  
THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR IMPROVING  
MASS DISPENSING CAPACITY

**Recommendation:**

Council authorization for the proper City officials to:

1. contract with the Minnesota Department of Health to accept revenue of \$113,831 for participating in the Cities Readiness Initiative, and
2. increase both the revenue budget (revenue source code 3210) and the 2005 appropriation in fund/org 0300-860-8621 by \$113,831.

**Previous Directives:**

None

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**Presenters in Committee:** Becky McIntosh

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

**Background/Supporting Information Attached**

The City has received funding for participating in the Cities Readiness Initiative, as part of the metro region public health emergency preparedness planning. The objective is to improve mass dispensing capacity in the region. This includes development of a multi-year exercise plan, mass dispensing exercises regionally, clinic and home health planning, logistical functions planning, and Emergency and Community Health Outreach (ECHO) communication to vulnerable populations.