



**City of Kansas City, Missouri  
Health Commission**

*Achieving a city-wide collaboration and partnership of  
organizations and individuals to work together  
to build a healthier community.*



**Public Health**

**MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**From:** Kansas City, MO Health Commission

**To:** Katheryn Shields, Chair; Heather Hall, Vice Chair  
City Council: Finance, Governance, and Public Safety Committee

**Subject:** Ordinance 211060- Health Levy

The Health Commission strongly supports the Health Levy described in Ordinance 211060.

One of the six priority areas stated in the 2022-2027 KC-Community Health Improvement Plan (KC-CHIP)<sup>1</sup> is to “Develop a Robust Public Health and Prevention Infrastructure.” Adoption of the Health Levy supports the following KC-CHIP goals:

- Goal 1: Increase public health capacity of residents of KCMO,
- Goal 2: Increase local funding for public health with a priority focus on BIPOC communities
- Goal 13: Support Expanded Capacity for Service Providers to Provide Equitable Access to Care for Expanded Medicaid Population,

In addition to the Health Commission, numerous Health Levy fund recipients testified their support of Ordinance 211060, including:

- University Health (formerly Truman Medical Center)
- Firefighters Local 42
- Northland Health Care Access
- Kansas City Care Health Centers
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

Let’s continue our efforts to support our increasing number of indigent Kansas Citians, and ensure there’s access to medical care for all residents.

Sincerely,

City of KCMO Health Commission

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<sup>1</sup> KC Health Commission, <https://www.kcmo.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/6700/637571825259670000>



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