

BOARD OF HEALTH

PURCHASING ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Champaign Urbana Public Health District (CUPHD) has a mission to center equity to ensure the health and safety of our community through education, preparedness, partnership, and policy; and

WHEREAS, CUPHD, as a public body, is dedicated to efficient and responsible use of public funds, transparency in its process, and providing the widest possible opportunity for advancement; and

WHEREAS, CUPHD made \$1,341,000 in purchases last fiscal year and seeks to use its purchasing power to advance its mission and equity agenda, support the local economy, and bolster worker's rights; and

WHEREAS, CUPHD recognizes the historic marginalization and exclusion of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC), women, and people with disabilities, including veterans, from entrepreneurship and well - paying or union jobs, and recognizes that these populations have been systematically tracked into precarious, low paid work, often without paid sick or maternity leave, resulting in poor and inequitable health outcomes CUPHD staff see in our clinics and programs; and

WHEREAS, CUPHD recognizes that by prioritizing investment in the local economy, CUPHD supports public health and wellness in the district by keeping local dollars local; and

WHEREAS, CUPHD recognizes that by supporting worker safety and rights, and a level playing field for all workers, CUPHD advances its public health mission; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CUPHD Board passes the attached purchasing policy that provides a transparent process, robust outreach, and a selection process that balances considerations of cost with the goal of supporting businesses that are minority-owned, women-owned, local, owned by people with disabilities, and/or union and companies in our purchasing.

Approved this date, December 11, 2023 by the Champaign Urbana Public Health Board, Champaign County, State of Illinois.