

**Resolution authorizing a contract with the Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio, Inc. to provide uninsured/underinsured County residents access to prescription drugs (Community Partnerships) (\$50,000)**

**WHEREAS**, approximately 134,000 of our Franklin County residents are uninsured, and the lack of access to healthcare and affordable prescriptions contributes to lost productivity in our workplace and schools, and causes critical delays in receiving vital medical treatment for all of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, by improving access to medically necessary prescription medications for the uninsured and underinsured, individual health outcomes will improve and the community at large will benefit with lower health care costs overall; and

**WHEREAS**, the Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio, Inc. is a healthcare collaborative whose mission is to improve access to affordable prescription drugs for low income uninsured and underinsured persons who experience gaps in coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio, Inc. will improve health care access and affordability by creating a single resource to assist low-income residents in accessing medically prescribed medications and navigating the various free or discounted prescription programs currently available; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution #14-021 of the Franklin County Board of Public Health authorized a one-year collaborative agreement with the Franklin County Public Health Commissioner for the Franklin County Board of Commissioners to administer contracts for health care services for low income residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, in recognition of the benefits to the citizens of Franklin County, desires to assist in establishing and operating programs to help assure the health and well-being of citizens of Franklin County pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3709.283; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That the attached contract for services with the Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio for the period of January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 and the attached purchase order, individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, are hereby approved.

Prepared by Kate Matheny

cc: Auditor

Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio, Inc.