



*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*  
*Department of Public Health*

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COMMISSIONER

October 10, 1975

Mr. James L. Sullivan  
City Manager  
City of Cambridge  
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

The Finance Office in City Hall has requested that I submit to you a brief description of the Children's Developmental Clinic and its financing in order that a fifteen digit finance number can be issued.

The Children's Developmental Clinic in Cambridge is now in its eighteenth year of operation and has been a cooperative venture between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through the Department of Public Health, and the City of Cambridge, through the Health Department, since June 26, 1957. Its primary goal is to provide comprehensive diagnostic services and long-term followup care to children who are developmentally handicapped. The Children's Developmental Clinic initiated services as of July 1, 1957, under the name of the Cambridge Service for Retarded Children. In 1961, the Clinic changed its name to the Children's Developmental Clinic. Over the years the Clinic has expanded its scope from being an evaluation clinic for retarded children to being a diagnostic service for children manifesting any form of developmental delay.

The Clinic is open to statewide referrals but because of its location, the communities most frequently served here have been Cambridge, Somerville, and Arlington. The Clinic will evaluate any child but has a special focus and expertise in the preschool age group. Diagnostic services are provided by a multidisciplinary team consisting of pediatrician, psychologist, social worker, pediatric neurologist, child psychiatrist, and speech and hearing pathologist. Laboratory services and special examinations that cannot be provided on our premises are provided by the Cambridge Hospital or the Massachusetts General Hospital. Their findings are used to complete our diagnostic assessment. A complete evaluation aims at providing a diagnosis, an assessment of the child's present developmental level, an estimate of future potential and recommendations regarding behavior modification, education and any specific medical therapy necessary for the child.

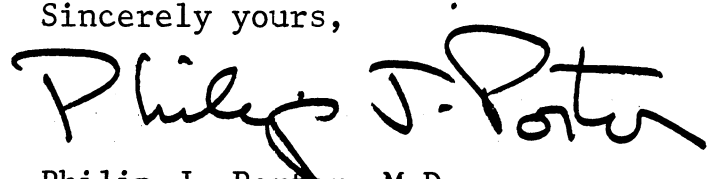
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Funds are dispersed through an administrative mechanism in that the State advances to the City of Cambridge Health Department monies which are used for certain personnel and consultation fees at the Children's Developmental Clinic. This project is dependent on an annual appropriation from the Federal government. The amount of money allocated to this project for FY 76 is \$46,000.34. The amount to be advanced from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be \$39,575.46 since there is an unexpended amount of \$3,424.88 remaining in the City of Cambridge, Children's Developmental Clinic, F-15 Account, from FY 75.

If you have any questions about the Children's Developmental Clinic, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Philip J. Porter". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Philip J. Porter, M.D.  
Director

Enclosures: CDC Brochure  
Commonwealth article, 1/1/59  
Copy of Agreement

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INTRODUCED BY CITY MANAGER JAMES L. SULLIVAN

AN ORDER CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1975

ORDERED: That, in addition to sums previously appropriated by the City Council for the fiscal period 1975-76, the following sums are hereby appropriated in the General Fund of the City of Cambridge:

FUNCTION	DEPARTMENT OR PROGRAM	SALARIES & WAGES	TRAINING & TRAVEL	OTHER ORDINARY MAINTENANCE	EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURES	APPROPRIATIONS
HUMAN RE-SOURCES DEVELOPMENT	health/hospital services	9 000		37 000		46 000

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the above appropriations in the General Fund are to be financed by estimated revenues drawn from the following sources:

FINANCING PLAN	REVENUE
miscellaneous grants	46 000

In City Council Nov. 3, 1975  
 Adopted by yea and nay Vote  
 Yeas 7 Nays 0 Absent 2  
Paul E. Leahy  
 CITY CLERK City Clerk

# City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

Agenda #2

Grant in the amount of \$46,000  
to the Children's Development Clinic

In City Council November 3

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	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mrs. Ackermann	✓			
Mr. Clinton			✓	
Mr. Danehy	✓			
Mr. Dushay	✓			
Mrs. Graham			✓	
Mr. Russell	✓			
Mr. Vellucci	✓			
Mr. Wylie	✓			
Mayor Sullivan	✓			
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
JAMES L. SULLIVAN  
City Manager

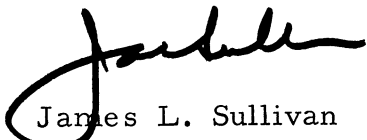
November 3, 1975

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Attached herewith is a notice of a grant award from the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the Children's Developmental Clinic. A communication from Dr. Philip J. Porter describes the activities that are funded under this grant.

Also attached is an appropriation order. Passage is recommended.

Very truly yours,

  
James L. Sullivan  
City Manager

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In City Council

Nov. 3, 1975

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Order

Adopted

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