

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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This ordinance authorizes the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Garden Club Project.

The Garden Club Project (TGCP) was founded by teen-preneur Te'Lario Watkins II of Tiger Mushroom Farms. The mission of TGCP is to help end hunger and encourage kids to eat healthier. TGCP has encouraged youth to grow food by donating over 300 seed kits to kids at farmers markets & schools. Te'lario also started a small garden for a local elementary school, from which over 300 pounds of food has been donated to families in need. Te'Lario is expanding his urban farm by adding a high tunnel to extend the harvest season. Te'Lario will teach 30 students from the COSI Platform Program how to grow mushrooms and produce this summer. He will introduce students to careers in agribusiness.

Fiscal Impact: The funding of \$10,000.00 is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund.

To authorize the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Garden Club Project; and to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund. (\$10,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Garden Club Project (TGCP) was founded by teen-preneur Te'Lario Watkins II of Tiger Mushroom Farms; and

WHEREAS, the mission of TGCP is to help end hunger and encourage kids to eat healthier; and

WHEREAS, TGCP is expanding its urban farm by adding a high tunnel to extend the harvest season; and

**WHEREAS**, TGCP will teach 30 students from the COSI Platform Program how to grow mushrooms and produce; **NOW**, **THEREFORE**,

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

**SECTION 1.** That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Garden Club Project.

**SECTION 2.** That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$10,000.00 within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, to Columbus City Council per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That per the action authorized in Section 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$10,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 5.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** That this ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date allowable by law.