

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the Executive Director of the Office of CelebrateOne, on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, to execute a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract with Nationwide Children's Hospital to provide reproductive health education to Columbus area schools. Funding was awarded to CelebrateOne by the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services and accepted via Ordinance 0473-2023.

Nationwide Children's Hospital has been the lead in teen reproductive health education efforts within selected Columbus City Schools in the CelebrateOne high priority neighborhoods of Linden, Franklinton, Hilltop, Northeast, Northland, South Side, Southeast and Near East. This Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract will support the work that Nationwide Children's Hospital is already doing to improve reproductive health planning by implementing evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programming in schools.

In addition to having one of the highest infant mortality rates in the nation, Ohio ranks 23rd out of all 50 states for teenage pregnancies. Teen pregnancy is a significant contributor to pre-maturity, a leading cause of infant mortality, because pregnant teens have a higher risk for having a baby born too small or too soon. A recent examination of the National Survey of Family Growth revealed that teens who received comprehensive sex education were 50% less likely to report a pregnancy than those who received abstinence-only education. Currently, without any state health education standards, many teens in Ohio and Franklin County do not have access to comprehensive, medically-accurate sex education.

The Office of CelebrateOne, in partnership with Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio and Nationwide Children's Hospital, reinforces peer education by engaging youth in Columbus City Schools from the CelebrateOne neighborhoods. Peer education supports the development of healthy lifestyles and responsible choices by adolescents. Peer educators will receive training and incentives to increase their knowledge of essential, evidence-based reproductive health information, establish important leadership skills, and gain the confidence to engage their peers and larger community in vital conversations.

This ordinance provides funding for the program through June 30, 2024 to allow for Reproductive Health Education programming through the 2023-2024 school year.

Vendor Information: Nationwide Children's Hospital DAX #006069, Tax ID # 31-4379441 Non-Profit

FISCAL IMPACT: This grant agreement utilizes a \$250,000.00 reimbursement grant from the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services originally accepted and appropriated by Ord. 0473-2023, Grant # G402301 Franklin County Board of Commissioners TANF Services. This Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract will be funded from Grant# G402301 within the General Government Grants Fund 2220.

To authorize the Executive Director of the Office of CelebrateOne, on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, to execute a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract with Nationwide Children's Hospital, Inc. for work in teen reproductive health education services in support of the CelebrateOne's goal to improve reproductive health planning in Columbus and Franklin County; and to authorize the expenditure of up to \$250,000.00 from the General Government Grants Fund. (\$250,000.00)

WHEREAS, Nationwide Children's Hospital has been the lead in teen reproductive health education efforts within selected Columbus City Schools in the CelebrateOne high priority neighborhoods of Linden, Franklinton, Hilltop, Northeast, Northland, South Side, Southeast and Near East; and

WHEREAS, this Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract will support the goal of improving reproductive health planning by implementing evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programming in Columbus City Schools; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$250,000.00 from the General Government Grants Fund 2220, the Office of the Mayor/CelebrateOne, Division 4005; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Office of CelebrateOne that the Executive Director of CelebrateOne is authorized to execute a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract with Nationwide Children's Hospital for the Reproductive Health Education Program for the 2023-2024 school year, for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, and safety; **now, therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That the Executive Director of the Office of CelebrateOne, on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract with Nationwide Children's Hospital Inc., 700 Children's Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43205, in the amount of \$250,000.00 for the reproductive health education program through June 30, 2024.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$250,000.00 is hereby authorized from General Government Grants Fund 2220 according to the funding codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this Subrecipient Agreement - Not for-Profit Service Contract is entered into under the provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329 regarding non-profit contracts.

SECTION 4. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are 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 and to make any accounting changes necessary to ensure that these contracts are properly accounted for and recorded accurately on the City's financial records.

SECTION 6. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.