



Legislation Text

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Background

This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into grant agreements with African American Male Wellness Walk, Lead with Purpose, Always with Us Charities, Brown Girls Mentoring, Central Community House, Columbus Fashion Initiative, Columbus Housing Partnership, Inc., dba Homeport, Columbus Urban League, Community Development for All People, Community of Caring Development Foundation, Community Partners Youth Development Organization, Community Refugee & Immigration Services, Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio, Franklin County Historical Society dba COSI, Gladden Community House, Heart Of JOB Foundation, Highland Youth Garden, ICE Mentors Inc., Kingdom First, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Ours Brothers Keepers, Pyramid Community Development Corporation, Remember Us Urban Scouts INC DBA Remember Us Urban Legends, Neighborhood Design Center, and St. Stephen's Community House for the purposes of providing summer youth employment and programming. This ordinance authorizes an expenditure from the general fund. Grant funding for programming including the purchase of food and/or beverage items, which serve the public for the purpose of administering summer youth employment and programming. Food and/or beverage purchases will be subject to what is allowable in the respective grant agreements. Costs will not exceed \$15 per person and any purchase of alcohol is strictly prohibited.

The City of Columbus intends to provide young people with safe opportunities to learn, grow, and form healthy, positive relationships can reduce the likelihood of their involvement in and/or being impacted by crime, violence, and other unsafe behaviors. As such, the City is keenly focused on supporting summer programs that are most likely to serve vulnerable, at-risk, and/or underserved youth who are disproportionately impacted by crime, violence, and related challenges as well as young people who are not often afforded opportunities to participate in high-quality programming.

The services included in agreement cannot be provided by existing city employees because these services are beyond the City's current responsibility and capacity to provide.

Emergency Designation: Emergency action is requested to ensure that students can benefit from summer employment and programming opportunities.

Fiscal Impact: This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of \$2,997,674.00 from the General Fund.

Contract Compliance:

The African American Male Wellness Walk CC-008384 valid thru 5/16/2024
Lead with Purpose CC-035890 valid thru 4/16/2026
Always with Us Charities CC-018333 valid thru 1/24/2025
Brown Girls Mentoring CC-031841 valid thru 10/25/2024
Central Community House CC-006068 valid thru 1/9/2026
Columbus Fashion Initiative CC-031541 valid thru 8/23/2025
Columbus Housing Partnership, Inc., dba Homeport CC-004842 valid thru 3/13/2026
Columbus Urban League CC-006073 valid thru 6/9/2025
Community Development for All People CC-008972 valid thru 8/16/2024
Community of Caring Development Foundation CC-026987 valid thru 5/30/2025
Community Partners Youth Development Organization CC-043748 valid thru 11/29/2024
Community Refugee & Immigration Services CC-005773 valid thru 10/7/2024

Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio CC-033677 valid thru 9/8/2024
Franklin County Historical Society dba COSI CC-006091 valid thru 5/14/2024
Gladden Community House CC-006075 valid thru 6/20/2025
Heart Of JOB Foundation CC-041659 valid thru 4/27/2026
Highland Youth Garden CC-031348 valid thru 8/29/2024
ICE Mentors Inc. CC-042295 valid thru 6/28/2024
Kingdom First CC-041516 valid thru 4/12/2026
Nationwide Children's Hospital CC-029921 valid thru 11/29/2025
Ours Brothers Keepers CC-045461 valid thru 5/19/2025
Pyramid Community Development Corporation CC-044097 valid thru 1/19/2025
Remember Us Urban Scouts INC DBA Remember Us Urban Legends CC-038915 valid thru 8/9/2025
The Neighborhood Design Center CC-006529 valid thru 3/16/2025
St. Stephen's Community House CC-006082 valid thru 6/8/2024

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into grant agreements with African American Male Wellness Walk, Lead with Purpose, Always with Us Charities, Brown Girls Mentoring, Central Community House, Columbus Fashion Initiative, Columbus Housing Partnership, Inc., dba Homeport, Columbus Urban League, Community Development for All People, Community of Caring Development Foundation, Community Partners Youth Development Organization, Community Refugee & Immigration Services, Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio, Franklin County Historical Society dba COSI, Gladden Community House, Heart Of JOB Foundation, Highland Youth Garden, ICE Mentors Inc., Kingdom First, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Ours Brothers Keepers, Pyramid Community Development Corporation, Remember Us Urban Scouts INC DBA Remember Us Urban Legends, Neighborhood Design Center, and St. Stephen's Community House in support of summer youth employment and programs; to authorize the expenditure from the General Fund for programming, including the purchase of food and/or beverage items, which serve the public for the purpose of administering summer youth employment and programming. Food and/or beverage purchases will be subject to what is allowable in the respective grant agreements. Costs will not exceed \$15 per person and any purchase of alcohol is strictly prohibited; and to declare an emergency. (\$2,997,674.00)

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council are committed to creating safe opportunities for youth to learn, grow, and form healthy positive relationships over the summer; and,

WHEREAS, the grant funding of \$2,997,674.00 by passage of this ordinance will be used to support not-for-profit agencies to provide support youth employment and programming; and

WHEREAS, such expenditure of funds has been accounted for within the 2024 Budget; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into grant agreements to allow the agency to immediately provide summer employment opportunities; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1: That the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods is authorized to enter into non-profit grant agreements with the agencies below to support summer youth initiatives:

African American Male Wellness Walk \$220,000.00
Lead with Purpose \$58,000.00
Always with Us Charities \$240,000.00
Brown Girls Mentoring \$85,000.00
Central Community House \$66,000.00
Columbus Fashion Initiative \$200,000.00
Columbus Housing Partnership, Inc., dba Homeport \$29,000.00

Columbus Urban League \$200,000.00
Community Development for All People \$150,000.00
Community of Caring Development Foundation \$60,000.00
Community Partners Youth Development Organization \$200,000.00
Community Refugee & Immigration Services \$10,000.00
Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio \$8,000.00
Franklin County Historical Society dba COSI \$152,654.00
Gladden Community House \$50,000.00
Heart Of JOB Foundation \$213,000.00
Highland Youth Garden \$63,000.00
ICE Mentors Inc. \$140,000.00
Kingdom First \$150,000.00
Nationwide Children's Hospital \$20,000.00
Ours Brothers Keepers \$290,000.00
Pyramid Community Development Corporation \$150,000.00
Remember Us Urban Scouts INC DBA Remember Us Urban Legends \$160,000.00
Neighborhood Design Center \$47,000.00
St. Stephen's Community House \$36,020.00

SECTION 2: That the expenditure of \$2,997,674.00 or so much thereof as may be needed is authorized in Fund 1000, Dept-Div 48-01, in object class 05 (Grants) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3: 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 4: 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 legislation.

SECTION 5: That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.