



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Ordinance 0816-2009, passed June 15, 2009, approved the grant applications of the Columbus Urban League programs (Victim's Assistance Program and the African-American Male Initiative) seeking financial assistance to address emergency human service needs. Those grants represented an initial allocation of Emergency Human Services Funds for partial 2009 funding. Ordinance 0619-2009, passed on September 14, 2009, provided a supplemental allocation of General Fund dollars to the Victim's Assistance Program but not the African-American Male Initiative.

This ordinance provides a supplemental General Fund allocation of \$53,550 for the Columbus Urban League's African-American Male Initiative. This program was not included in the previous 0619-2009 ordinance.

This ordinance represents a program funded following the Department of Development's application process. The legislation targets those social service agencies that will provide help to families and households through access to self-sufficiency, counseling, transportation, youth programs, childcare, senior services and treatment services.

Emergency action is requested in order to expedite payment to the agency to pay for on-going program expenses.

FISCAL IMPACT: In 2009, a total of \$1,390,517.00 was allocated to fund social service programs through the General Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Columbus Urban League for the provision of the African-American Male Initiative program; to authorize the expenditure of \$53,550 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$53,550.00)

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0816-2009, passed June 15, 2009, approved the grant applications of the Columbus Urban League seeking financial assistance to address emergency human service needs; and

WHEREAS, those grants represented an initial allocation of Emergency Human Services Funds for partial 2009 funding; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0619-2009, passed on September 14, 2009, provided a supplemental allocation of General Fund dollars to the Victim's Assistance Program and not the African-American Male Initiative program; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance provides supplemental General Fund allocations of \$53,550 for the Columbus Urban League's African-American Male Initiative program; and

WHEREAS, this program did not receive additional General Fund allocations in the previous 0619-2009 ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance represents a program funded following the Department of Development's application process. The legislation targets those social service agencies that will provide help to families and households through access to self-sufficiency, counseling, transportation, youth programs, childcare, senior services and treatment services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a grant agreement with the Columbus Urban League and to expend said funds in order to expedite payment to the agencies to pay for on-going program expenses, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore,**

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

Section 1. That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement for a one year period with the Columbus Urban League to provide the African-American Male Initiative Program.

Section 2. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$53,550.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the General Fund, Department of Development, Department No. 44-01, Fund 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499038.

Section 3. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby 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.