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Legislation Text

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Explanation...

BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to provide grant assistance to various social service organizations for the provision of services as described below. These funds will support program activities for a twelve-month period for a total amount of \$70,660.

Neighborhood House, Inc. - \$10,000

City funds would support consulting costs for the performance of an Agency Audit and related expenses.

Central Ohio Poison Center - \$20,000.00

Funds will be used to provide operational support to address critical staff shortages (Medical Director and Poison Control Specialist positions).

Salvation Army - \$16,000.00

Funds will be used to support emergency assistance to the (choice food pantry) at the East Main Choice Pantry, located at 966 E. Main St.

Communities-in-Schools - \$15,000.00

Funds will be used to support two (2) Site Coordinators and program costs for the Diplomas Now initiative at Linden McKinley STEM Academy and at Mifflin High School.

Hilltop Christian Community Development Corporation Friends of the Hilltop - \$9,660.00

Funds will support the Highland Youth Garden Program. Funding will be used for community harvest efforts, garden repairs and equipment storage and to provide educational support services through the Highland STEM Academy.

The legislation targets social service agencies that will provide help to address multiple human service needs. In addition, the City supports programs and activities so that the greater population is assured access to other community services. This funding will allow the process to continue these much needed services.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds are allocated from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, the 2013 Hotel/Motel-Cultural Services Fund and the Emergency Human Services Capital Fund.

To approve the grant applications of various social service agencies seeking financial assistance to address emergency human services needs pursuant to Columbus City Codes, 1959; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to provide grant assistance to various social service agencies to address and provide for multiple human service needs; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$59,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$9,660.00 from the Cultural Services portion of the City's Hotel/Motel Tax Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$2,000.00 from the Emergency Human Services Fund.; and to declare an emergency. (\$70,660.00)

WHEREAS, various organizations have submitted applications seeking financial assistance to address emergency human services needs; and

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WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the applications and hereby declares that the agencies have articulated a need for funds that is sufficient to justify approval of said agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to execute grant agreements with the various agencies to support social service programs using funds from the Emergency Human Services Fund and the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; and

WHEREAS, the legislation targets social service agencies that will provide help address multiple human service needs. In addition, the City supports programs and activities so that the greater population is assured access to other community assistance; and

WHEREAS, this funding will allow the process to continue by providing these needed services; now, therefore and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to execute grant agreements with the various agencies to allow vital program services to be made available without delay, all for the 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 grant applications of Neighborhood House, Inc., Central Ohio Poison Control, Salvation Army, Communities-in-Schools and Hilltop Christian Community Development Corporation Friends of the Hilltop seeking financial assistance to address emergency human service needs pursuant to Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, are hereby approved.

Section 2. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized and directed to provide emergency grant assistance totaling \$70,660.00 to the following agencies for the provision of critical social services for a one year period and for the amounts indicated:

AGENCY / AMOUNT

Neighborhood House / \$10,000.00 Columbus Poison Control / \$20,000.00 Salvation Army / \$16,000.00 Communities-in-Schools / \$15,000.00

Hilltop Christian Community Development Corporation Friends of the Hilltop / \$70,660.00 Total: \$70,660.00

- **Section 3.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$59,000.00 within the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Fund 018 to the Department of Development, Administration Division, Division No. 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA 440118.
- **Section 4.** That from the unappropriated monies in the Hotel/Motel-Cultural Services Fund, Fund 231, Subfund 002, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2013, the sum of \$9,660.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Administration Division, Division 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 231044.
- **Section 5.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$59,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Fund 018, Department of Development, Administration Division, Division No. 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 440118.

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- **Section 6.** That for the purpose stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$9,660.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Department of Development, Administration Division, Division 44-01, Hotel/Motel -Cultural Services Fund, Fund 231, Subfund 002, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 231044.
- **Section 7.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$2,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Emergency Human Services Fund, Fund 232, Department of Development, Administration Division, Division No. 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA 499044, Project 200001-100000.
- Section 8. That the expenditures authorized herein are in accordance with Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959.
- **Section 9.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for any contract or contract modification associated with the expenditure of the funds in Section 4 above.
- **Section 10.** Payments are expressly contingent upon the availability of sufficient monies in the Emergency Human Services Fund to cover the obligation set forth in this contract and in no case shall payments exceed available cash in this fund. In this event that there is not sufficient cash in the fund to cover the obligation set forth in this contract, the City Auditor shall have the authority to make all necessary adjustments at his discretion.
- **Section 11.** 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 12. 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. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.