



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) for the Safety Net Program. The contract will provide \$3,022,304 from the General Fund for the purpose of continuing the City's support for homeless emergency shelters, the Maryhaven Engagement Center, related homeless shelter services and homelessness prevention and transition services. These programs have effectively and efficiently enabled our community to help individuals and families who are homeless or near homelessness to resolve their housing crisis.

Emergency action is requested so that the Community Shelter Board can continue to provide these services without interruption.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funds for the contract are allocated from the FY2013 General Fund. The 2012 General Fund Budget included \$2,872,304.00 for the Safety Net Program.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of continuing the City's support of the Safety Net Program for homeless emergency shelters, the Maryhaven Engagement Center, related homeless shelter services and homelessness prevention and transition services; to authorize the expenditure of \$3,022,304.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,022,304.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board; and

**WHEREAS,** the City continues to support the Community Shelter Board's homeless emergency shelters, the Maryhaven Engagement Center, related homeless shelter services and homelessness prevention and transition services; and

**WHEREAS,** these programs have effectively and efficiently enabled our community to help individuals and families who are homeless resolve their housing crisis; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is necessary to continue to provide these essential services to the homeless without interruption, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and **NOW THEREFORE,**

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

**Section 1.** That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to contract with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of continuing the City's support of the Safety Net Program for homeless emergency shelters, the Maryhaven Engagement Center, related homeless shelter services and homelessness prevention and transition services.

**Section 2.** That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, as amended

**Section 3.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$3,022,304.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary and be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the General Fund, Department of Development,

Department No. 44-10, Fund 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 440284.

**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 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.