



Legislation Text

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This ordinance will authorize the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department to renew the contract with the Communities for New Direction (CND) to provide violence interruption and crisis response activities that include responding to specific violent confrontations, working to mediate and diffuse conflict tensions, and actively promoting peace building among our youth. CND will be awarded two (2) Applications for Purpose, Pride and Success (APPS) zones which are the North and West sides of the city. Contractor shall maintain a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week schedule to respond to calls regarding youth violence confrontations such as shootings, aggravated assaults, homicides, and other violent incidents.

Background: The Contractor shall respond to violent incidents or conflict outside of the designated APPS zone if the incident is believed to have potential to adversely impact activities within any other APPS zone. The Contractor shall also provide support services to victims' families and friends. Support services will be provided after making initial contact with victim's families and friends at the scene of an incident, hospital or at a time and location chosen by the victim's family and friends. Support services can also include Contractor attending funerals, vigils, peace marches, etc. Additionally, Community Intervention Workers shall participate in APPS activities and initiatives focusing on reducing youth violence citywide and improving community collaborations to support the APPS initiative. Communities for New Direction will hold a surety bond in the amount of \$100,000 and Certificate of Insurance as required by the City.

Bids were received by the Columbus Recreation & Parks Department for the 2016 Neighborhood Violence Intervention (NVI) Project on February 26, 2016 by the following agencies:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Status</u>
J. Jireh Development Corp.	MBE
Columbus Urban League	N/A
Communities for New Direction	MBE
* Directions for Youth & Families	N/A

The contract for the North and West APPS Zones will be awarded to the Communities for New Direction on the basis of best and best responsive bidder. * The proposal from Directions for Youth & Families was determined non-responsive.

Principal Parties:

Communities for New Directions
2323 W. 5th Avenue Suite 160
Columbus, Ohio 43204
(614) 272-1464
Contractor Federal ID #:

Emergency Justification: It is necessary to renew the contract with Communities for New Direction so the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program can continue without interruption.

Fiscal Impact: The amount \$278,000.00 is budgeted for this project from Recreation and Parks fund 2285.

Area(s) Affected: North and West APPS Zones

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to renew the contract with the Communities for New Direction to provide professional and fiscal services related to the implementation of the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program 2016 contract; to authorize the expenditure of \$278,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Fund 2285; and to declare an emergency. (\$278,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Director of Recreation and Parks to renew the contract with Communities for New Direction for professional and fiscal services related to the Applications for Purpose, Pride, and Success (APPS) Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$278,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Fund 2285; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to renew the contract with Communities for New Direction so that the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program can continue without interruption; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks be authorized to renew the contract with Communities for New Direction for professional and fiscal services related to the Applications for Purpose, Pride, and Success (APPS) Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program.

SECTION 2. That for the purposes stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$278,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be appropriated and expended from:
Recreation and Parks Department /Fund 2285. See attached accounting template.

SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.