



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) for the continued implementation of a crisis response system that is assisting men, women and children experiencing homelessness to transition more efficiently and effectively from a place of homelessness to permanent housing and stability.

This contract is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service contracts.

The agreement will provide \$1,537,704 from the General Fund for the purpose of providing services through the following initiatives for persons experiencing homelessness:

- single adult crisis response program (\$1,079,566),
- assistance to families experiencing homelessness (\$166,138).
- assistance to pregnant women experiencing homelessness (\$167,000), and
- assistance for non-VA eligible veterans (\$125,000).

The services provided by the CSB are not able to be provided directly by the city because the city staff does not have the expertise or infrastructure to provide these services.

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

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funds for this agreement are allocated from the Division of Housing's FY2019 General Fund budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of implementing the crisis response system; to authorize the expenditure of \$1,537,704.00 from the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$1,537,704.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into an agreement with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) for the implementation of the following crisis response initiatives: single adult crisis response program, assistance for families and pregnant women experiencing homelessness, and assistance for non-VA eligible veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, the city supports the implementation of the crisis response system which will assist men, women and children experiencing homelessness to transition more efficiently and effectively from a place of homelessness to permanent housing and stability; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into an agreement with the Community Shelter Board 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 enter into an agreement with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of implementing the following initiatives: single adult crisis response

program, assistance for families and pregnant women experiencing homelessness, and assistance for non-VA eligible veterans.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$1,537,704.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 (General Fund), Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), in object class 03 (Services) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That this contract is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service contracts.

**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 the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** 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.