



City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Legacy Youth Sports Academy, a non-profit entity, to support the Exposure is Key Initiative.

Legacy Youth Sports Academy, or LegacyU, is hosting the Exposure is Key Initiative in early 2023, a trip and personal development opportunity for Columbus youth. Exposing youth to opportunities outside of their neighborhoods will give them a window to future dreams and goals. LegacyU seeks to motivate Columbus youth to dream about their future and make decisions that promote their safety and their community engagement. Their Exposure is Key initiative helps improve student achievement, community ties, and build stronger relationships with their mentors.

The 2023 program will serve 126 youth from ages 6 to 15 years old. LegacyU expects this event to increase youth engagement in their ongoing programs, create permanent positive community connections, promote social-emotional well-being, and expose youth to opportunities beyond their neighborhood. One of the intended goals is to reduce rates of delinquency and violence amongst youth and to increase life skill development, leading towards self-sufficiency at an age-appropriate level.

The support of Columbus City Council will provide for youth to travel to be exposed to sports and personal development/career opportunities both within and outside their neighborhoods. The event occurs in early 2023, making emergency legislation necessary to support the organization in a timely manner.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Job Growth subfund.

To authorize the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Legacy Youth Sports Academy in support of the Exposure is Key Initiative; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Job Growth subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$20,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Legacy Youth Sports Academy hosts the Exposure is Key initiative, allowing dozens of Columbus youth to be exposed to career and education opportunities and promoting their life skills development and working towards reducing youth violence; and

WHEREAS, Columbus continues to see an increase in the rates of youth violence, with gun casualties inflicted by minors increasing 55% from 2015 to 2021; and

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council seeks to support youth and families, promote economic resiliency and the future of Columbus youth, and promote the public safety of Columbus residents including youth; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Clerk's Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Legacy Youth Sports Academy to have funding available to support their Exposure is Key Initiative that is starting in early 2023; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Legacy Youth Sports Academy in support of their Exposure is Key Initiative in early 2023.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$20,000.00 in the Job Growth subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100015, to the City Clerk per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$20,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, is hereby authorized in the Job Growth subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100015 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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 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 passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.