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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into grant agreements with Community Mediation Services and Jewish Family Services for the provision of services for a twelve-month period. The total amount of these grants is \$173,563.00.

The legislation targets social service programs that fall into one or more of the City's three priority areas including emergency and basic needs, employment and self-sufficiency, and social success for our residents and neighborhoods. The two agencies receiving funding include:

* Community Mediation Services for homeless prevention and housing stabilization services;

* Jewish Family Services for a Job Readiness program for professional workers who qualify as "Dislocated Workers" under federal guidelines;

This funding will allow the agencies to continue much needed services.

Emergency action is necessary to avoid causing interruptions in the delivery of program services.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for these expenditures is allocated from the Emergency Human Services Fund (\$93,653.00) and the Jobs Growth Fund (\$80,000.00).

To approve the grant application of Community Mediation Services seeking financial assistance to address emergency human service needs pursuant to Columbus City Code; to authorize the Director of Development to execute grant agreements with Community Mediation Services and Jewish Family Services to address and provide for multiple human service needs; to authorize the City Auditor to increase appropriations in the Emergency Human Services Fund by \$39,282.30; to authorize the expenditure of \$93,653.00 from the Emergency Human Services Fund; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$80,000.00 from the Jobs Growth Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$173,563.00)

WHEREAS, Community Mediation Services and Jewish Family Services have submitted grant applications seeking financial assistance for Emergency Human Services Funds; and

WHEREAS, City Council is authorized to allocate funds annually to assist social service agencies in the city with the operating costs of delivering programs; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into grants with Community Mediation Services and Jewish Family Services for the continued provision of social services; and

WHEREAS, Community Mediation Services will be funded with Emergency Human Services Funds and Jewish Family Services will be funded with Jobs Growth Funds; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to enter into grant agreements with Community Mediation Services and Jewish Family Services to avoid causing interruptions in the delivery of vital program services, 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 application of Community Mediation Services seeking financial assistance to address an emergency human service need pursuant to Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Code is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with Community Mediation Services and Jewish Family Services for a one year period and for the amounts indicated:

AGENCY / PROGRAM / AMOUNT

Community Mediation Services / homeless prevention and housing stabilization services / \$93,563.00

Jewish Family Services / Job Readiness program / \$80,000.00

Total: \$173,563.00

SECTION 3. To authorize the City Auditor to increase the appropriation in Fund 232, Emergency Human Services Fund, Department of Development, Department 44 01, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499043 by \$39,282.30.

SECTION 4. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$93,563.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Emergency Human Services Fund, Department of Development, Department 44-01, Fund 232, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499043.

SECTION 5. That the expenditures authorized herein are in accordance with Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Code.

SECTION 6. 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 7. That from the unappropriated monies in the Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2015, the sum of \$80,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division 44-01, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 447015.

SECTION 8. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$80,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be expended from the Jobs Growth Fund, Department of Development, Department 44-01, Fund 015, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 447015.

SECTION 9. 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 10. 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.