

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The City is a participating jurisdiction receiving federal funds under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The regulations of the program provide that up to five percent of the annual allocation may be granted to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to pay operating costs of the agency. CHDOs work in their neighborhoods to develop affordable housing through rehabilitation of existing housing stock or new in-fill construction.

This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$260,856 of HOME Funds. The legislation also authorizes the Director of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus (Collaborative) to serve in the role as a funding intermediary, facilitator of training, and builder of organizational capacity. These funds leverage additional public and private funds for operating support. The City and the Collaborative have collectively developed a process for competitive distribution of the funds.

The Collaborative will administer contracts for the following CHDOs:

Franklinton Development Association	\$43,476
Homes On The Hill, CDC	\$43,476
Neighborhood House CHDO	\$43,476
Northside CDC	\$43,476
MiraCit Development Corporation	\$43,476
Youthbuild Columbus	<u>\$43,476</u>

Total \$260,856

Contract figures represent only the HOME funded portion of the CHDOs total contract.

Emergency action is requested to allow the Collaborative to enter into contracts with the CHDOs for FY2005.

FISCAL IMPACT: The 2005 HOME Program budget allocated a total of \$260,856 for CHDO operating support. The previous contract timeline was April 1, 2004 thru March 31, 2005. The contract authorized by this legislation will be April 1, 2005 thru May 31, 2006.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus; to authorize the expenditure of \$260,856 from the HOME Fund; and to declare an emergency (\$260,856).

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is the recipient of HOME Investment Partnerships funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to make a portion of the HOME funds available to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to pay a portion of their operating costs to stimulate the development of affordable housing for low income households in their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, support for CHDOs can foster the revitalization of central city neighborhoods; and

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WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus in order to administer the CHDO contracts; and

WHEREAS, emergency action is required to allow the Collaborative to initiate the FY2005 CHDO contracts immediately; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus and to expend said funds 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 be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus for a contract period of April 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006.
- Section 2. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1 the expenditure of \$260,856 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Department of Development, Department No. 44-10, Fund 201, Grant No. 458001, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3336, OCA Code 445132.
- Section 3. That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.
- 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.