



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with The Salvation Army for the provision of services for a twelve-month period. The total amount of this grant agreement is \$15,000.00.

The legislation targets a social service program that falls 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 Salvation Army is requesting funds to support its Emergency Disaster Service-Response Program. This program assists low-income individuals/families living in Columbus who are unable to meet their immediate needs due to an individual emergency/disaster. Clients are assisted with emergency food and material assistance to resolve their immediate crisis and are linked to community support services to address ongoing needs and to help them return to their pre-disaster status.

As a member of the Emergency Disaster Services recovery network, the program serves clients facing recovery from personal emergencies and provides mass feeding services to clients of a large scale community disaster. Key partners include American Red Cross, Furniture Bank of Central Ohio (FBCO), Dollar Energy Fund, and Columbia Gas.

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

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for these expenditures is allocated from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund (\$15,000.00).

To approve the grant application of The Salvation Army seeking financial assistance to address emergency human service needs pursuant to Columbus City Code; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$15,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; to authorize the Director of Development to execute a grant agreement with The Salvation Army to support its Emergency Disaster Service-Response Program; and to declare an emergency. (\$15,000.00)

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army has submitted a grant application seeking financial assistance; 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 a grant agreement with The Salvation Army for the continued provision of social services; and

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army will be funded with Neighborhood Initiatives funds; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into a grant agreement with The Salvation Army 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 City Auditor be and is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$15,000 in the General Fund, Neighborhood Initiatives Sub fund, Fund 1000, Sub fund 100018, to the Department of Development in Object

Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with The Salvation Army for the purpose of supporting its Emergency Disaster Service-Response Program.

SECTION 3. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$15,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from the General Fund in Object Class 03, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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 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.