



Legislation Text

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Due to the effects of COVID-19, the City of Columbus recognizes there is an increased need for human services to support youth in 2021. Through the American Rescue Plan, up to \$844,000.00 is allocated to distribute to qualified Columbus area nonprofit agencies. Grants will be awarded to the Community of Caring Development Foundation, ~~Lead with Purpose~~, **Mothers of Murdered Columbus Children**, and National Center for Urban Solutions and the Urban Foundation Inc. These nonprofit organizations will serve seniors, single family households and youth to help ease the challenges families face due to the current public health emergency. Importantly, all expenses must be eligible under the United States Treasury American Rescue Plan guidelines. Expenses must be necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) between March 10, 2021 and December 31, 2024.

The services included in this legislation cannot be provided by existing City employees because these services are beyond the City's current responsibility and capacity to provide.

Emergency Designation: Emergency action is requested to ensure that residents can benefit from needed social service programming.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is provided to the City of Columbus from the Recovery Fund passed by Congress on March 10, 2021 and signed into law on March 11, 2021.

Contract Compliance: the vendor's vendor numbers are

Community of Caring Development Foundation 026987 and is pending

~~Lead with Purpose 035890 and is valid from 6/1/2021 to 6/1/2023~~ **Mothers of Murdered Columbus Children and is pending**

National Center for Urban Solutions 025982 and is pending

The Urban Foundation Inc 030481 and is pending

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into grant agreements with Community of Caring Development Foundation, ~~Lead with Purpose~~ **Mothers of Murdered Columbus Children**, The Urban Foundation Inc., and National Center for Urban Solutions in an amount up to \$844,000.00 to add needed capacity to address COVID-19 specific services for seniors, single family households and youth; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$844,000.00 from the Recovery Fund; to authorize the payment of expenses starting June 1, 2021; and to declare an emergency. (\$844,000.00)

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in an increase need for human services to support youth; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of funds is necessary within the Recovery Fund to address unforeseen needs within the

population caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into grant agreements with Community of Caring Development Foundation, **Mothers of Murdered Columbus Children** ~~Lead with Purpose~~, National Center for Urban Solutions and the Urban Foundation Inc. to allow them to begin providing additional COVID-19 specific services to its members and the non-profit sector, for the public health, safety and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, such expenditure of funds has not been previously accounted for within the 2021 Budget; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: That the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with the following organizations to allow them to begin providing additional COVID-19 specific services to its members and the non-profit sector in an amount up to \$844,000.00 effective June 1, 2021.

Community of Caring Development Foundation \$379,000.00

~~Lead with Purpose \$75,000.00~~

Mothers of Murdered Columbus Children \$75,000.00

National Center for Urban Solutions \$175,000.00

The Urban Foundation, Inc. \$215,000.00

SECTION 2: That the expenditure of up to \$844,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized in Fund 2209 Recovery Fund, Dept-Div 48-01, in object class 03 (Services) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3: 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 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 legislation.

SECTION 5: That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.