



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to enter into contract with the Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, a non-profit corporation, for evaluation of the Columbus Promise program.

The Columbus Promise is a new program for Columbus City Schools graduates. The Columbus Promise Scholarship award will cover tuition and fees after the Pell grant (if eligible) and any tuition-restricted scholarship(s), as well as provide an additional \$500 per semester for educational expenses, for up to six semesters at Columbus State Community College. In collaboration with internal and external partners, Columbus Promise Advisors will empower Columbus Promise scholars to develop skills, behaviors and habits that contribute to success in and beyond college.

In order to improve on the best practices of similar initiatives from around the country, including the Kalamazoo Promise, Columbus City Council desires to authorize a contract with the Upjohn Institute to provide analysis and feedback on the impact on post-secondary enrollment and the effectiveness of the implementation.

Fiscal Impact: Funding to support this agreement is available within previously-established ACPO007222.

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into contract with the W.E. Upjohn Unemployment Trustee Corporation for evaluation of the Columbus Promise program; and to authorize an expenditure from an existing Auditor's Certificate. (\$100,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Promise Scholarship award will cover tuition and fees after the Pell grant (if eligible) and any tuition-restricted scholarship(s), as well as provide an additional \$500 per semester for educational expenses, for up to six semesters at Columbus State Community College; and

**WHEREAS**, to improve on the best practices of similar initiatives from around the country, Columbus City Council desires to authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into contract with the Upjohn Institute to provide analysis and feedback on the impact on post-secondary enrollment and the effectiveness of the implementation; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Finance and Management is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with the W.E. Upjohn Unemployment Trustee Corporation, dba W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, for evaluation of the Columbus Promise program

**SECTION 2.** That per the action authorized by Section 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$100,000.00, or so much thereof as needed, is hereby authorized within existing Auditor's Certificate ACPO007222.

**SECTION 3.** That this agreement is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service agreements.

**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 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 6.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.