



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into grant agreements with various social service agencies throughout Central Ohio for the provision of services for a twelve-month period. The total amount of these grants is \$3,750,298.00.

This legislation represents the culmination of a competitive grant award process which was put in place to achieve the following Objective: To support goal oriented, outcome based social service programs and activities that will address critical needs in the Columbus community through a competitive process that enables new, successful and targeted programs to be funded. The legislation targets social service programs that fall into three priority areas including emergency and basic needs, employment and self-sufficiency, and social success for our residents and neighborhoods. Programs include, but are not limited to: day care, substance abuse prevention programs, refugee and resettlement programs, senior care, mediation services, services for the disabled, material assistance and food programs, workforce development, youth programs and other services. This funding will allow the process 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 (\$1,616,380.00) and the General Fund (\$2,133,918.00).

To approve the grant applications of various social service agencies seeking financial assistance to address an emergency human service need pursuant to Columbus City Code; to authorize the Director of Development to execute grant agreements with various social service agencies to address and provide for multiple human service needs; to authorize the expenditure of \$1,616,380.00 from the Emergency Human Services Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$2,133,918.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,750,298.00)

WHEREAS, various social service agencies have submitted grant applications seeking financial assistance for Emergency Human Services Funds; and

WHEREAS, A 15 member committee reviewed the grant applications and submitted recommendations to City Council for consideration of funding; 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 has reviewed and approved the recommendations of the review committee and desires to enter into grants with various social service agencies for the continued provision of social services; and

WHEREAS, the agreements will be reviewed on an annual basis for consideration of a one (1) year renewal for up to two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, the grants will be funded with a combination of Emergency Human Services Funds and General Funds; and

WHEREAS, these programs include, but are not limited to, youth services, resettlement programs, housing referral, intervention activities, information and referral efforts, community mediation, resource centers and neighborhood activities; 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 various social service agencies 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 applications of those agencies identified in Section 2 seeking financial assistance to address an emergency human service need pursuant to Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Codes are hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with the various agencies listed below for a one year period and for the amounts indicated:

AGENCY / PROGRAM / AMOUNT

Boys and Girls Club of Columbus/ Great Future Initiative/ \$69,150.00
Buckeye Region Anti-Violence Organization/ BRAVO Safety Outreach/ \$29,100.00
Catholic Social Services/ Counseling Program/ \$52,056.00
Center for Healthy Families/ Healthy Families Connection Collaborative/ \$76,065.00
Columbus Early Learning Center/ Step Up Scholarships/ \$28,582.00
Columbus Early Learning Center/ Health and Wellness/ \$29,100.00
Columbus Housing Partnership dba. Homeport/ Housing and Homeownership Services/ \$40,000
Columbus Literacy Council/ FIT: Families Involved Together/ \$69,150.00
Columbus Speech & Hearing Center/Comprehensive Program for the Deaf/ \$30,149.00
Columbus Urban League/ Choose2Change/ \$162,272.00
Columbus Urban League/ Father2Father/ \$115,250.00
Community Refugee & Immigration Services/ Services for Refugees and Immigrants/ \$60,000.00
Economic & Community Development Institute/IDA Program/ \$73,759.00
Economic & Community Development Institute/ Women’s Business Center of Ohio/ \$73,760.00
Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services/Employability Services/ \$276,600.00
Gladden Community House/Gladden Food Pantry/\$92,200.00
Godman Guild Association/Pathways to Work/ \$426,704.00
Heritage Day Health Centers, Inc. dba NCR/ Poindexter Village Intergenerational Care Center/ \$101,420.00
Huckleberry House/ Crisis Services Program/ \$54,277.00
Huckleberry House/ Youth Outreach Program/ \$122,689.00
IMPACT Community Action/ Employment Plus Work Readiness Training/ \$110,640.00
Legal Aid/ Supporting and Stabilizing Women in Transition/ \$50,000.00
Lifecare Alliance/Columbus Cancer Clinic Home Care Support/ \$46,100.00
Lifecare Alliance/ Meals on Wheels for under 60 years/ \$285,055.00
Maryhaven/ Sub-Acute Detoxification/ \$221,280.00
Maryhaven/ Adolescent Residential Program/ \$271,068.00
Mental Health America of Franklin County/ Perinatal Outreach and Encouragement for Moms/ \$32,270.00
Necare Access Corp./ Community Crisis Response Expansion/ \$138,300.00

Salvation Army/ Material Assistance Services/ \$115,250.00
Southside Learning & Development Center/SSL&DC- Successful Beginnings/ \$73,691.00
St. Stephens Community House/ Community and Emergency Services/ \$154,645.00
Stonewall Columbus/ Stonewall Intake & Referral for LGBT Community/ \$73,576.00
Stonewall Columbus/ LGBT Veterans Support/ \$8,730.00
United Way of Central Ohio/ Neighborhood Partnership Grants/ \$19,400.00
United Way of Central Ohio/ Tax Time/ \$24,250.00
VoiceCorps/ Audio Visual Broadcast/ \$70,000.00
YWCA Columbus/ Safe & Sound Child Care/ \$73,760.00

Total: \$ 3,750,298.00

SECTION 3. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$1,616,380.00 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 One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499043.

SECTION 4. That the expenditures authorized herein are in accordance with Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Code.

SECTION 5. 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 6. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$2,133,918.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the General Fund, Department of Development, Department 44-01, Fund 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499038.

SECTION 7. 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 8. 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.