



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes the Executive Director of the Office of CelebrateOne, on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, to execute a not for profit service contract with Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio for their Summer Youth Workforce & Career Development fellowship program, which provides a seven (7) week paid summer youth fellowship program with the goal of learning life & work skills alongside professionals in the health care field and become positive sexual health messengers within their community.

The Summer Youth Workforce & Career Development fellowship program will consist of three (3) cohorts of youth ages 14-19 for a total of 50 youth in the full fellowship program. The program includes six (6) lessons on resume prep, interviewing skills, work permits and tax issues, communication/customer service skills, and information on local higher education opportunities. Fellowship hours include attending sessions that blend facilitated content with training with community partners to be identified. Recruitment and compensation of experts are core components. The fellowship will require a commitment of three days per week and an average of two hours a day during those seven weeks, plus mandatory attendance at an in-person Engagement Day meant to emulate a professional conference day. The fellowship format will be a combination of virtual and in-person participation.

The fellowships will also include 20 hours of sexual health education to include topics such as anatomy, physiology, gender, communication, sexually transmitted infections and teen pregnancy prevention, healthy relationships, consent, and more will be included in addition to the workforce development syllabus. In addition to having one of the highest infant mortality rates in the nation, Ohio ranks 31 out of all 50 states for teenage pregnancies. Teen pregnancy is a significant contributor to pre-maturity, a leading cause of infant mortality, because pregnant teens have a higher risk for having a baby born too small or too soon.

A recent examination of the National Survey of Family Growth revealed that teens who received comprehensive sex education were 50% less likely to report a pregnancy than those who received abstinence-only education. Currently, without any state health education standards, many teens in Ohio and Franklin County do not have access to comprehensive, medically-accurate sex education.

This summer youth program cannot be completed by the existing CelebrateOne staff as the staffing level is not adequate to conduct this 7 week program.

Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio is a Not-For-Profit Organization, Tax ID # 34-1015976, DAX# 027518.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This not for profit service contract was budgeted within the 2024 General Fund 1000 Budget for CelebrateOne. This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$140,000.00 within the General Fund.

To authorize the Executive Director of the Office of CelebrateOne, on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, to execute a not for profit service contract with Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio for a Summer Youth Workforce & Career Development Program in support of the CelebrateOne goal to improve reproductive health planning; and to authorize the expenditure of \$140,000.00 from the General Fund. (\$140,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the City of Columbus supports the objectives of the Summer Youth Workforce and Career Development Program offered to Columbus area youth by Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio and the Ohio Center for Sex Education;

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**WHEREAS**, CelebrateOne supports reproductive health education that is included in the curriculum of the Summer Youth Workforce and Career Development Program to reduce the number teenage pregnancies in order to minimize premature births and infant mortality rates within Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$140,000.00 from the General Fund 1000 in support of the Summer Youth Workforce & Career Development Program; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary in the usual daily operation of the Office of CelebrateOne to execute a not for profit service agreement, aligned with Section 329 of the Columbus City Codes, with Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio in support of the Summer Youth Workforce and Career Development Program; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Executive Director of CelebrateOne, on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, is authorized to execute a not for profit service contract with Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio in the amount of \$140,000.00 for a Summer Youth Workforce and Career Development Program.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$140,000.00 is hereby authorized from General Fund 1000 according to the funding codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That this contract is entered into under the provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329 regarding non-profit service contracts.

**SECTION 4.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are 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 and to make any accounting changes necessary to ensure that these contracts are properly accounted for and recorded accurately on the City's financial records.

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