



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the Director of The Department of Neighborhoods to enter into and accept a grant with the Columbus Foundation to help coordinate efforts for the My Brother's Keeper (MBK) initiative.

In 2014 President Obama called on cities, non-profits, and the private sector to collaborate and close opportunity gaps for boys and young men of color (B&YMOC). Columbus was one of the first cities to answer this call. The city and partner organizations brought together more than 500 B&YMOC to ensure that Columbus' My Brother's Keeper (MBK) work was grounded in testimony from the target population. Numerous non-profit service providers, schools, and companies have created programs to serve vulnerable youth of color since the launch of the national MBK initiative.

Emergency Action is requested in order to receive the funds as soon as possible to continue My Brother's Keeper programming.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes the acceptance and appropriation of \$20,000.00 within the Private Grant Fund from the Columbus Foundation for the financial support of My Brother's Keeper.

To authorize and direct the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to accept a grant from, and enter into a grant agreement with, the Columbus Foundation in the amount of \$20,000.00 to help coordinate efforts for the My Brother's Keeper (MBK) program; to authorize the appropriation of \$20,000.00 within the Private Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$20,000.00).

WHEREAS, Columbus Foundation has awarded the City of Columbus, Department of Neighborhoods, a grant in the amount of \$20,000 to help coordinate efforts for the My Brother's Keeper(MBK) program.

WHEREAS, Columbus Foundation will support the MBK community engagement activities with financial resources not to exceed \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize and direct the Director of The Department of Neighborhoods to enter into a grant agreement with the Columbus Foundation to accept this award; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate \$20,000.00 within the Private Governments Grant Fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary authorize the Director to accept a grant from, and enter into a grant agreement with, the Columbus Foundation, and for the City Auditor to appropriate said grant funds, making them available to comply with the terms of the grant and so that funds are available to continue the My Brother's Keeper initiative, thereby preserving the public peace, property, health, safety, and welfare; **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 accept a grant from, and enter into a grant agreement with, the Columbus Foundation in the amount of \$20,000.00.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Private Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the grant period ending December 31, 2021 the sum of \$20,000.00 and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated within fund 2291, Department of Neighborhoods Grant Fund per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the monies in the foregoing Section 2, shall be paid upon order of the Director of Department of Neighborhoods, and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City.

SECTION 4. That, at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 5. 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 6. 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.