

Legislation Text

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<u>BACKGROUND</u>: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to provide grant assistance to the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers for the provision of emergency human services. These funds will support program activities for a twelve-month period for a total amount of \$120,000.

The Community Shelter Board will receive up to \$100,000 to be able to expand current capacity for overflow emergency shelters. In addition, \$20,000 will be directed to Mothers Helping Mothers in order to assist young mothers and their children with emergency and material assistance, parenting skill classes, wellness program and other social support services. The Community Shelter Board will act as the fiscal agent for the Mothers Helping Mothers program.

The legislation targets social service agencies that will provide help to and address multiple human service needs. In addition, the City supports programs and activities so that the greater population is assured access to other community assistance. This funding will allow the process to continue much needed services.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$49,000 is allocated from the FY2013 Emergency Human Services Fund and \$71,000 is available in the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund for a total of \$120,000.

To approve the grant applications of the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers seeking financial assistance to address emergency human services needs pursuant to Section 371.02(c) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to provide grant assistance to the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers to address and provide for multiple human service needs; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$49,000.00 from the Emergency Human Services Fund; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$71,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$120,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers have submitted applications seeking financial assistance to address emergency human services needs; and

WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the applications and hereby declares that the agencies have articulated a need for funds that is sufficient to justify approval of said agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to execute a grant agreement with the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers to support social service programs using funds from the Emergency Human Services Fund and the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; and

WHEREAS, the legislation targets social service agencies that will provide help address multiple human service needs. In addition, the City supports programs and activities so that the greater population is assured access to other community assistance; and

WHEREAS, this funding will allow the process to continue much needed services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to execute said grant agreement with the aforementioned agencies to allow vital program services to be made available without delay, 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 the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers seeking financial assistance to address emergency human service needs pursuant to Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, are hereby approved.

Section 2. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized and directed to provide emergency grant assistance totaling \$120,000.00 to the Community Shelter Board and Mothers Helping Mothers for the provision of critical social services for a one year period.

Section 3. That from the unappropriated monies in the Emergency Human Services Fund, Fund 232, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2013, the sum of \$49,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499043.

Section 4. That from the unappropriated monies in the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Fund 018, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2013, the sum of \$71,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division No. 44-01, Object Level One - 03, Object Level Three -3337, OCA Code 440118.

Section 5. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$49,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Emergency Human Services Fund, Fund 232, Department of Development, Department No. 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 499043.

Section 6. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$71,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be expended from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Department of Development, Department No. 44-01, Fund 018, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 440118.

Section 7. That the expenditures authorized herein are in accordance with Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959.

Section 8. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for any contract or contract modification associated with the expenditure of the funds in Sections 5 and 6 above.

Section 9. 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 10. 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 11. 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.