



Legislation Text

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Background:

The Contractor will provide violence interruption and crisis response activities that include responding to specific gang related confrontations, working to mediate and diffuse conflict tensions, and actively promoting peace building. The Contractor will be awarded two (2) Applications for Pride, Purpose and Success (APPS) zones which are the near east and south sides of the city. The south zone will be subcontracted to Jireh Development Corporation. Contractor shall maintain a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week schedule to respond to calls regarding gang violence confrontations such as shootings, aggravated assaults, homicides, and other violent incidents within 15 minutes after receiving a notification from the Columbus Police Division, the APPS Office, or the community.

The Contractor shall respond to gang related incidents outside of the designated APPS zone if the incident is believed to have potential to adversely impact activities within any other APPS zone. The Contractor shall also provide support services to victims' families and friends. Support services will be provided after making initial contact with victim's families and friends at the scene of an incident, hospital or at a time and location chosen by the victim's family and friends. Support services can also include Contractor attending funerals, vigils, peace marches, etc. Additionally, Community Intervention Workers shall participate in APPS activities and initiatives focusing on reducing gang violence citywide and improving community collaborations to support reintegration of clients; engaging active gang members, gang leaders, and ex offenders to achieve a non-violent community life; and engaging in targeted street outreach designed to contact individuals actively involved in gang activities. The Contractor will maintain financial records pertaining to all transactions. Columbus Urban League will hold a surety bond in the amount of \$100,000 and Certificate of Insurance as required by the City.

Principal Parties:

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FISCAL IMPACT: The expense for the term of the contract is \$333,000.00. This ordinance is contingent on passage of the 2014 operating budget.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into an agreement with the Columbus Urban League to provide professional and fiscal services related to the implementation of the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program 2014 contract; to authorize the expenditure of \$333,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Fund 285; and to declare an emergency. (\$333,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Director of Recreation and Parks to renew an agreement with the Columbus Urban League for professional and fiscal services related to the Applications for Purpose, Pride, and Success (APPS) Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department that it is necessary to renew the contract with Columbus Urban League so that the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program can continue without interruption; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks be authorized to renew an agreement with the Columbus Urban League for professional and fiscal services related to the Applications for Purpose, Pride, and Success (APPS) Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program.

Section 2. That for the purposes stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$333,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from:

Recreation and Parks Department /Fund 285, OCA#511427, OL3# 3337

Section 3. 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 legislation.

Section 4. 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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.