



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 \$3,367,236.00.

This legislation represents various programs funded following the Emergency Human Services (EHS) application process as well as the Department of Development's application and evaluation process for General Fund assistance. The legislation targets social service agencies that will provide help to families and households through programs that 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 by assisting with the operating needs of the agency. 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.

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 (\$1,114,160) and the General Fund (\$2,223,076).

To approve the grant applications of various social service agencies seeking financial assistance to address an emergency human service need pursuant to Columbus City Codes, 1959; 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 \$1,144,160.00 from the Emergency Human Services Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$2,223,076.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,367,236.00)

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

WHEREAS, City Council has reviewed the grant applications and hereby declares that the agencies have articulated a need for Emergency Human Services funds that is sufficient to justify approval of said grants; 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 Grant Applications and desires to enter into grants with various social service agencies for the continued provision of social services; 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, 1959, 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

Action for Children / Child Care / \$195,334
ADAMH Board / Substance Abuse Intervention / \$288,799
Amethyst / Substance Abuse Intervention / \$64,220
Asian American Community Services / Refugee-Resettlement / \$18,497
Boys and Girls Club Columbus / Youth Intervention / \$71,355
Cambodian Mutual Assistance / Refugee-Resettlement / \$35,121
City Year / In School-On Track / \$120,413
Columbus Early Learning / Child Care / \$17,839
Columbus Historical / Cultural Diversity / \$27,873
Columbus Housing Partnership / Neighborhood Assistance / \$93,565
Columbus Urban League / African American Males / \$160,995
Communities in Schools / Youth Tutoring / \$30,325
Community Kitchen / Material Assistance / \$35,857
Community Mediation Services / Conflict Resolution / \$93,653
Community Refugee Immigration Services / Refugee-Resettlement / \$126,657
Directions For Youth / Youth Delinquency Prevention / \$107,925
Enterprise Works / Youth Careers / \$25,480
Hands on Central Ohio / Information/Referral / \$192,659
Hands on Central Ohio / RSVP-Seniors / \$17,705
Heritage, dba National Church Residences / Adult Day Care / \$17,839
Huckleberry House / Youth Outreach / \$120,971
Huckleberry House / Crisis Counseling / \$53,517
IMPACT/CAO / Computer Training / \$107,330
Legal Aid Society / Conflict Resolution / \$60,653
LifeCare Alliance / Support Services for Disabled / \$299,626
Maryhaven / (Adolescent) Substance Abuse Intervention / \$173,036
Maryhaven / (Adult Male Outpatient)/Substance Abuse Intervention / \$66,896
Maryhaven / (Adult Services-Detoxification) / Substance Abuse Intervention / \$280,962
Mid-Ohio Food Bank / Material Assistance / \$89,195
MOBILE / Support Services for Disabled / \$65,110
New Directions Career Center /Workforce Development / \$36,570
Somali Community Association / Refugee-Resettlement / \$26,622
Southside Learning & Development Center / Child Care / \$21,407
St. John Learning Center / Workforce Development / \$35,677

Stonewall Columbus / Resource Center / \$44,596
VoiceCorps / Support Services for Disabled / \$70,463
YWCA (Safe & Sound) / Child Care / \$72,494
Total: \$ 3,367,236

Section 3. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$1,144,160.00 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 No. 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 Codes, 1959.

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 \$2,223,076.00 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.