



Legislation Text

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This ordinance will authorize the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Communities for New Direction (CND) for the amount of \$333,750.00 in order to provide violence interruption and crisis response activities that include responding to specific violent confrontations, working to mediate and diffuse conflict tensions, and actively promoting peace building among our youth. CND will be awarded two (2) Applications for Purpose, Pride and Success (APPS) zones which are the North and West sides of the city. Contractor shall maintain a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week schedule to respond to calls regarding youth violence confrontations such as shootings, aggravated assaults, homicides, and other violent incidents.

Background: The Contractor shall respond to violent incidents or conflict 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 youth violence citywide and improving community collaborations to support the APPS initiative. Communities for New Direction will hold a surety bond in the amount of \$100,000 and Certificate of Insurance as required by the City.

Principal Parties:

Communities for New Directions
2323 W. 5th Avenue Suite 160
Columbus, Ohio 43204
(614) 272.1464
Contractor Federal ID #: 31-1430278

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested in order for the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program to continue without interruption; current contract ends February 28, 2017.

Fiscal Impact: The amount \$333,750.00 is budgeted for this project from the Recreation and Parks operating fund 2285 and is contingent on the passage of the 2017 operating budget.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with the Communities for New Direction to provide services related to the implementation of the 2017 Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program; to authorize the expenditure of \$333,750.00 from the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$333,750.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Communities for New Direction for services related to the Applications for Purpose, Pride, and Success (APPS) Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$333,750.00 from the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund 2285; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to contract with Communities for New Direction 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 enter into contract with Communities for New Direction for 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 \$333,750.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be appropriated and expended from the Recreation and Parks Department Operating Fund 2285 in object class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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.