

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with HandsOn Central Ohio to provide referral services to the residents of Columbus for a twelve-month period for a total amount of \$192,659.00.

This legislation targets a service agency that will work to connect people to critical community resources and government services through a 24-hour information and referral line and FOODLINK line through the comprehensive information and referral line, 2-1-1. This funding will allow the process to continue much needed services.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this expenditure is allocated from the Emergency Human Services Fund (\$83,036.03) and the General Fund (\$109,622.97).

To approve the funding request of HandsOn Central Ohio seeking financial assistance to address an emergency human service need pursuant to Columbus City Code; to authorize the Director of Development to execute a grant agreement with HandsOn Central Ohio to provide referral services to the residents of Columbus; to authorize the expenditure of \$83,036.03 from the Emergency Human Services Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$109,622.97 from the general fund. (\$192,659.00)

WHEREAS, HandsOn Central Ohio has submitted a funding request seeking financial assistance for Emergency Human Services Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a grant agreement with HandsOn Central Ohio for the continued provision of referral services to the residents of Columbus; 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 grant will be funded with a combination of the Emergency Human Services Fund and the general fund; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. That the grant application of HandsOn Central Ohio seeking financial assistance to address an emergency human service need pursuant to Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with HandsOn Central Ohio for the provision of referral services to the residents of Columbus for a one-year period.

SECTION 3. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$83,036.03 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized in Fund 2231 Hotel Motel Bed Tax Fund, in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the expenditures authorized herein are in accordance with Section 371.02 (c) of the Columbus City Code.

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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 \$109,622.97 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized in fund 1000 general fund, in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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 this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.