



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into a grant agreement with St. Stephen's Community House for up to \$400,000 for a boiler system upgrade.

St. Stephen's Community House is a hub for advancing self-sufficiency in our community. They are committed to assisting residents in the Greater Linden area to build community, self-sufficiency and individual well-being.

Emergency action is necessary to avoid causing interruptions in the delivery of program services.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** To authorize the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$400,000 from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fund

To authorize the Director of Neighborhoods to enter into a grant agreement with St. Stephen's Community House and approve the funding request of St. Stephen's Community House seeking financial assistance to address an urgent community need by upgrading the organization's boiler system; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$400,000.00 by the Director of Neighborhoods, and to declare an emergency.

**WHEREAS,** St. Stephen's Community House has submitted a funding request seeking financial assistance; and

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods desires to enter into a grant agreement with St. Stephen's Community House to upgrade the boiler system in St. Stephen's Community House; and

**WHEREAS,** the grant will be funded from the CDBG fund (\$400,000); and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into a grant agreement with St. Stephen's Community House to avoid causing interruptions in the delivery of 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 Director of the Department of Neighborhoods is hereby authorized to enter a grant agreement with St. Stephen's Community House to upgrade the boiler system.

**SECTION 2.** That this contract is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of 2 CRF 200 and Chapter 329 of City Code relating to awarding federal contracts for not-for-profit organizations.

**SECTION 3.** That the Department of Neighborhoods staff shall provide oversight to ensure the project is carried out in compliance with all applicable federal laws and regulations.

**SECTION 4.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the appropriation and expenditure of \$400,000 from the CDBG Fund 2248 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized from the Community Development Block Grant, Fund 2248 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated and expended.

**SECTION 6.** 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 ordinance.

**SECTION 7.** 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.