



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS) for a twelve-month period for a total amount of \$100,000.

CRIS helps refugees and immigrants become self-sufficient and achieve successful integration into the Central Ohio Community. CRIS assists refugees and immigrants with various services including but not limited to adjustment of status, asylum applications, naturalization/citizenship, employment services, and English as a second language.

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

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this expenditure is allocated from the Emergency Human Services Fund (\$50,000) and the Health Special Revenue Fund (\$50,000).

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to execute a grant agreement with Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS) to provide the Community Empowering Change program; to authorize an expenditure within the Emergency Human Services Fund; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Health Special Revenue Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a grant agreement with Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS) for the continued provision of social services; and

WHEREAS, Community Refugee and Immigration Services (CRIS) helps refugees and immigrants become self-sufficient and achieve successful integration into the Central Ohio Community; and

WHEREAS, the grant will be funded with a combination of Emergency Human Services Funds and the Health Special Revenue fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a grant agreement with Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS) 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 Development is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS).

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$50,000 in the Health Special Revenue fund, fund 2250, to Columbus Public Health per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$100,000 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, is hereby authorized per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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 6. 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.