



## Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes a grant agreement with Columbus Urban League for the purpose of educating, informing, and advocating on behalf of the urban community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Columbus Urban League is partnering with RadioOne to provide weekly live broadcasts to educate, inform and advocate to the urban community during the COVID-19 pandemic during the month of April 2020. This show provides access for Councilmembers, Columbus Urban League leadership, Congressional and State leaders, human service leaders, and community subject matter experts who offer straight talk, advice and guidance central to helping the African American community survive and thrive during COVID-19.

**Emergency action** is requested in order to avoid any delay in authorizing a grant agreement with Columbus Urban League to provide the resources necessary to distribute information critical to the health and welfare of the African American community.

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund.

To authorize Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Columbus Urban League for the purpose of educating, informing, and advocating on behalf of the urban community during the COVID-19 pandemic; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$15,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, Columbus Urban League and RadioOne have partnered during the COVID-19 pandemic to provide weekly informational programming to the urban community; and

**WHEREAS**, the program provides a platform for Councilmembers, human service organizations, and other community leaders to offer advice and guidance crucial to helping the African American community survive and thrive during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreement with Columbus Urban League to more rapidly disseminate information critical to the health and welfare of the African American community; now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** That Columbus City Council is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Columbus Urban League for the purpose of educating, informing, and advocating on behalf of the urban community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**SECTION 2.** That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, in object class 03 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That per the action authorized in SECTION 1, the expenditure of \$15,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund in object class 03 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**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 ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.