

Legislation Text

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Background Since 1948 Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Ohio (BGCCO) has pursued a mission to empower young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens. BGCCO accomplishes this mission through year-round, high-quality out-of-school time programs for youth and teens.

BGCCO intends to further serve youth during this crucial time by providing programming to meet the following strategic priorities:

- 1. Opportunities to Lead and Be Heard
- 2. Pathways to P2 Success
- 3. Recovery & Redirection
- 4. Relax, Re-Create & Build Relationships

The Department of Education requests the authority to provide grant funding for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Ohio (BGCCO), a not for profit organization, to support their out-of-school time programs for youth and teens.

Fiscal Impact: This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of up to \$500,000.00 from funding provided to the City of Columbus from the American Rescue Plan that was passed by Congress on March 10, 2021 and signed into law on March 11, 2021.

Emergency Designation: Emergency designation is requested to ensure the funding can be provided to the Boys and Girls Club as soon as possible.

To authorize and direct the Director of Education to enter into a grant agreement with the Boys and Girls Club Clubs of Central Ohio (BGCCO) to support their out-of-school time programs for youth and teens; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$500,000.00 from the Recovery Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$500,000.00)

WHEREAS, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Ohio (BGCCO) has pursued a mission to empower young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in a greater need to serve youth during this crucial time by providing additional programming; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of American Rescue Plan funding to the Boys and Girls Club, a not for profit entity, is crucial for our economic recovery, necessary due to the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Education in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into a grant agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Ohio to support their youth and teen programming, all for the preservation of public health, peace, property, and safety; and

WHEREAS, such expenditure of funds has not been previously accounted for in the 2021 Budget; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Ohio to support their youth and teen programming.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of up to \$500,000.00 be and is hereby authorized as follows (see attachment 1397-2021):

Dept/Div: 42 | **Obj Class:**03 | **Main Account:** 63920 | **Fund:** 2209 | **Sub-fund:** 220902 | **Program:** CW401 | **Amount:** \$500,000.00

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 ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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.