

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Public Service to enter into a grant agreement with Partners Achieving Community Transformation (PACT).

Recognizing the increase in litter and debris throughout the city of Columbus neighborhoods, it is imperative that we engage Columbus youth as often as possible during our efforts to create a cleaner Columbus.

The focus of PACT is to engage youth groups, including sports teams, cheer squads, scout units, chess clubs, and service, academic, and civic organizations to collect litter and debris at various locations in the Hilltop, Linden, Near East Side, Far East Side, South Side and Northland neighborhoods during the summer and fall of 2021. Participants, will be required to be supervised by a parent or parent approved adult. Groups will earn a minimum of \$500 per area assigned by the City of Columbus.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Job Growth subfund.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any delay in providing the resources necessary to create job opportunities for at-risk youth.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Public Service to enter into a grant agreement with Partners Achieving Community Transformation (PACT) in support of the Cleaner Columbus Youth Grant Program; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Job Growth subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, since the onset of COVID-19, the city of Columbus has had an increase in litter and debris throughout city neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that we engage Columbus youth as often as possible during our efforts to create a cleaner Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Partners Achieving Community Transformation's (PACT) vision is to create a healthy, financially and environmentally sustainable community where residents have access to safe and affordable housing, quality healthcare and education, and employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the goal is to engage Columbus youth groups and provide opportunities to contribute to the city's efforts to promote cleaner, healthier neighborhoods, while also fostering awareness of the challenges associated with litter and debris throughout the Columbus community; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to execute requisite agreements with, and to make payment to, the PACT as soon as reasonably practicable to prevent delays in the start of the program; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Public Service is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Partners Achieving Community Transformation (PACT) in support of the Cleaner Columbus Youth Grant Program.

SECTION 2. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$100,000.00 within the Job Growth subfund, fund 1000,subfund 100015, to the Department of Public Service in 03-Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That per the action authorized in Section 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$100,000.00 within the Job Growth subfund 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 ordinance.

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