



## Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to enter into grant agreements with various organizations in support of summer youth engagement and employment programs.

Through the Reimagine Safety subfund, up to \$196,000 is allocated to distribute to qualified Columbus area nonprofit agencies. Agreements will be issued to the following non-profits organizations: Children's Hunger Alliance, Dominican Sisters of Peace, DBA Martin de Porres Center, and Highland Youth Garden. The nonprofit organizations will serve at-risk boys and young men of color between the ages of 14-24 to help ease the challenges families face due to the current public health emergency.

The services included in this contract cannot be provided by existing city employees because these services are beyond the City's current responsibility and capacity to provide.

Emergency Designation: Emergency action is requested to ensure that students can benefit from summer employment opportunities.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Reimagine Safety subfund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to enter into grant agreements with various organizations in support of summer youth engagement and employment programs; to authorize an appropriation and transfer within the general fund; to authorize an expenditure within the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$196,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the lack of summer employment opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the effects of COVID-19, the City of Columbus recognizes many organizations providing summer employment opportunities may not have the capacity to do so in 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, expenditure of funds is necessary within the Reimagine Safety subfund to address unforeseen needs within the population of boys and young men of color caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and,

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Recreation and Parks in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into grant agreements to allow the agencies to immediately provide summer employment opportunities; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with the following organizations in support of summer youth employment and engagement programs:

Children's Hunger Alliance - \$40,000.00

Dominican Sisters of Peace, DBA Martin de Porres Center - \$131,000.00

Highland Youth Garden - \$25,000.00

**SECTION 2.** That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$196,000.00 to Recreation and Parks

within the Reimagine Safety fund in object class 10-Transfers, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$196,000.00 from the Reimagine Safety subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100019, to the Recreation and Parks operating fund, fund 2285, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$196,000.00 to Recreation and Parks within the Recreation and Parks operating fund, fund 2285, in 03-Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That per the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$196,000.00 is hereby authorized.

**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 legislation.

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