



## Legislation Text

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This ordinance amends 0964-2023 which authorized the Director of the Department of Public Service to modify the term of the existing grant agreements with various non-profit social service agencies in support of the Cleaner Columbus Initiative and the Cleaner Columbus Employment Program. Original funding for these agreements was established via Ordinance No. 2062-2022 passed on July, 27, 2022. The Cleaner Columbus Employment Program offers employment opportunities to residents by paying a minimum of \$15 per hour. Community partners prioritize enrolling residents that have experienced employment disruption. This ordinance will amend ordinance 0964-2023 to authorize adding funds to those grant agreements.

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding is available within the Reimagine Safety Fund.

Emergency action is requested because the Department desires to allow the Cleaner Columbus Employment program to continue to operate without interruption so that the program can continue employing residents who have suffered income disruption during the pandemic.

To amend ordinance 0964-2023 to add funding to the existing grant agreements with various social service agencies in support of the Cleaner Columbus Employment Program; and to declare an emergency. (\$180,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend Ordinance No. 0964-2023 to add funding to the existing grant agreements; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to expend additional funds of \$180,000.00 in support of the Cleaner Columbus Initiative and the Cleaner Columbus Employment Program; 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 City Clerk to amend Ordinance 0964-2023 to increase the funding of the existing grant agreements with the various social service agencies to allow the Cleaner Columbus Employment program to continue employing residents who have suffered income disruption during the pandemic; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Body of Ordinance No. 0964-2023 is amended to read:

**WHEREAS**, in major U.S. cities, more than half of residents reported experiencing serious financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, by offering temporary employment the Cleaner Columbus Employment Program provides employment to some of our most vulnerable residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the proliferation of litter in some of the City's low-income neighborhoods is a constant nuisance; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Public Service to modify the term of and to add funding to the existing grant agreements with various social service agencies in support of the Cleaner Columbus employment program to extend the term from March 31, 2023 to through November 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary and without delay, to modify the term of and to add funding to the existing grant agreements with the various social service agencies to allow the Cleaner Columbus Employment program to continue employing residents who have suffered income disruption during the pandemic; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Public Service is authorized to modify the term of and to increase the funding to the existing grant agreements from an ending date of March 31, 2023 to November 30, 2023 with the following social service agencies in support of the Cleaner Columbus Employment Program:

Community Development for All People (up to \$60,000)  
St. Stephens Community House  
Franklinton Board of Trade (up to \$60,000)  
Greater Hilltop Shalom Zone (up to \$60,000)

**SECTION 2.** That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, to the Department of Public Service, 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 \$180,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, is hereby authorized per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 5.** 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 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.

**SECTION 2.** 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.