

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
JUNE 16, 2020 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>Provide single point educational solutions to address school and/or student needs by providing the Whole School Whole Child Model, assisting students with academic and social-emotional needs.</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Community Programs Department</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">√ Ordinance Resolution</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SYNOPSIS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FISCAL IMPACT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RECOMMENDATION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BACKGROUND</p>	<p>To authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with City Year, Inc., to provide funding support for the Whole School Whole Child Model to establish an educational program whereby City Year AmeriCorps Members provide single-point solutions to address a school or student’s needs and designed to meet students’ academic and social-emotional needs by providing support at the individual student, classroom, and whole-school levels and to create school-wide learning environments.</p> <p>Amount is not to exceed \$100,000.00, and the funds are available through the Community Programs Department Account No. 108159-S15C053.</p> <p>Approval of the ordinance.</p> <p>Building future leaders in education by providing a pipeline of teachers and future education leaders: City Year engages and connects alumni of the program to continue working in education and has established partnership with teacher residency/training programs that have expressed a preference for City Year alumni to enroll in their programs.</p>	

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City Year Little Rock is currently partnering with the Arkansas Department of Education the Little Rock School District and the University of Arkansas Little Rock to create and establish a teacher pipeline for AmeriCorps Members. Approximately 35% of City Year AmeriCorps Members are interested in teaching. Of City Year AmeriCorps Members interested in teaching, 50% identify as people of color (19% are African American, 17% are Hispanic), 31% are male and 31% are bilingual.

According to an evaluation by Policy Studies Associates, City Year alumni excel in comparison to similarly situated individuals on every major indicator of civic engagement. They are 65% more likely to participate in volunteer activities; 45% more likely to vote and 48% more likely to belong to a community group or civic organization. The added economic value over a lifetime of the increased volunteering among City Year alumni is \$15,000 per City Year AmeriCorps Member, or \$37.5 million per class.