

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
APRIL 18, 2017 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>Authorization to enter into contracts with several organizations to provide development of a Career Life Skills System; Domestic Violence Counseling Services; and Citywide Enhancement Programs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance √ Resolution Approval Information Report</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Community Programs Department</p>		

<p style="text-align: center;">SYNOPSIS</p>	<p>A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts with organizations to provide Career Life Skills System Development, Domestic Violence Counseling Services and Citywide Enhancement Programs.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FISCAL IMPACT</p>	<p>Funds for these programs are from the 2017 PIT Allocation, account number S15A785, and S15A99.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RECOMMENDATION</p>	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">BACKGROUND</p>	<p>The term of these contracts shall be for seven (7) months ending December 31, 2017. Review panels, consisting of representatives of local community-based organizations, Children Youth and Families Commission (CYF) members, and private business met, reviewed applications; and recommended organizations for domestic violence counseling, career skills system development, and citywide enhancement programs for Little Rock citizens. The CYF Commission met on April 5, 2017, and voted to endorse these recommendations for contract awards.</p>

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Review panels, consisting of representatives of local community-based organizations, Children Youth and Families Commission members, and private business met, reviewed applications; and recommended organizations for Afterschool/Out-of-School Time Prevention, and Youth Intervention Programs for Little Rock youth. The CYF Commission met on March 8, 2017 and voted to endorse these recommendations for contract awards.

Organization Amount

Career Life Skills System Development: Up to \$100,000

The following organization will provide services and opportunities in the planning, operation, and evaluation of a career and life skills development system that produces educational, employability and life skills valuable to career success. These services will be provided to program participants ages eighteen (18) to thirty (30) years old residing in Little Rock, Arkansas.

- Our House, Inc.

Domestic Violence Counseling: Up to \$50,000

The following organization will provide services and opportunities in providing comprehensive counseling services meeting the needs of individuals and families experiencing domestic violence. These services will be provided to Little Rock residents with low incomes for whom sliding fee scales are barriers to services.

- McMahan Counseling

Citywide Enhancement Programs: Up to \$700,000

The following organizations will provide services and opportunities in the areas of: 1) Arts and/or Cultural Enrichment; 2) Tutoring, STEM Activities, and/or Academic Achievement; 3) Life Skills, Social and Emotional Learning, and/or Workforce Readiness; 4) Health and/or Wellness; 5) Violence Prevention and/or Safety; or 6) Parental, Family and Community Involvement that enhance the City-funded, facility-based, Prevention and Intervention Programs. These services will be provided to program participants ages six (6) to nineteen (19) residing in Little Rock, Arkansas. Individual Contract amounts to be negotiated.

- ABC Adolescent Center
- Junior Achievement of Arkansas

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- Centers for Youth and Families
- Milton Pitts Crenshaw Aviation Training Camp
- Arkansas Repertory Theater
- We Care of Pulaski County
- Arkansas Community Dispute Resolution Center
- Songbird Performing Arts
- Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Society
- The Jack Stephens Youth Golf Academy