

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this resolution be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. The Metropolitan Council accepts this resolution as a recommendation of the COVID-19 Financial Oversight Committee.

Section 2. That \$272,042.00 from the Covid-19 American Rescue Plan Fund #30216 is hereby appropriated to TIRRC to fully fund the original request described in RS2022-1560.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect from and after its final passage, the welfare of the public requiring it.

Section 4. Quarterly reporting from TIRRC to the Committee is required. The required information includes but is not limited to the following:

- a. Accounting of any disbursements of funds
- b. Accounting of any and all fees related to the disbursement of these funds
- c. Balance of funds remaining from the total allocation
- d. Demographics of beneficiaries of any funds, including but not limited to Age, Race, Sex and Zip Code

Analysis

This resolution appropriates \$272,042 in American Rescue Plan Act (“ARP”) funds from Fund #30216.

On June 7, 2022, the Metropolitan Council passed Resolution No. RS2022-1560, which appropriated \$1,820,585 in ARP funds to the Tennessee Immigrant & Refugee Rights Coalition (“TIRRC”) for a two-year pilot program for immigration legal services. That resolution stated that the funding represented 87% of the requested funds, with the expectation that the remainder of the program may be funded when additional ARP funds become available.

The resolution under consideration appropriates the remaining 13% of requested funding to TIRRC for the purposes described in the original resolution, RS2022-1560.

The resolution further requires reporting from TIRRC including accounting of the disbursement of funds, accounting of any fees related to the disbursement of these funds, the balance of funds remaining from the total allocation, and the demographics of the beneficiaries of any funds.

Fiscal Note: This \$272,042 appropriation, along with the appropriations per Resolution No. RS2022-1830, and Resolution No. RS2022-1832 would be the 31st, 32nd and 33rd resolutions appropriating from the American Recovery Plan Act (ARP) Fund for a cumulative total of \$188,397,030. The total grant award is \$259,810,600. The first half of this amount was received in July 2021 and the second half was received in July 2022.