



# Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

## Legislation Text

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A resolution appropriating a total of \$1,740,000 from the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Office of Family Safety, to various nonprofit organizations selected to receive American Recovery Plan Act funds.

WHEREAS, Section 7-3-314 of the Tennessee Code Annotated states that metropolitan forms of government may provide financial assistance to nonprofit organizations in accordance with the guidelines of the Metropolitan Government; and,

WHEREAS, Section 5.04.070 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides that the Council may, by Resolution, appropriate funds for the financial aid of nonprofit organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution RS2021-1152 previously appropriated American Recovery Plan Act ("ARP") funds for the support of various non-profit organizations to provide therapeutic services as a result of the extremely long wait lists for therapy services that existed pre-pandemic and were exacerbated even more during the pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, there are federal requirements for use of ARP funds which require that these funds be used or distributed on or before December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Office of Family Safety has accepted applications from nonprofit organizations to receive ARP funds; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor has accepted the recommendations of the Metro Office of Family Safety that \$1,740,000 in ARP funds should be disbursed to specific nonprofit organizations; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that these funds be appropriated to these nonprofit organizations.

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

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated One Million Seven Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$1,740,000) from the Office of Family Safety to nonprofit organizations as follows:

- a) \$500,000 to Family & Children's Services for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence; and,
- b) \$450,000 to Nashville Children's Alliance for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence; and,
- c) \$400,000 to Sexual Assault Center for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence; and,
- d) \$120,000 to The Mary Parrish Center for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence; and,
- e) \$270,000 to AGAPE for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence and to assist petitioners with Orders of Protection at the Family Safety

Center.

Section 2. The Metropolitan Government is hereby authorized to enter into grant contracts, attached hereto and incorporated herein, with the nonprofit organizations listed in Section 1 above for the amounts provided herein and the purposes stated. Such contracts shall specify the terms and conditions under which the grant funds are to be spent, including that all expenditures shall be in accordance with the financial requirements of the federal American Recovery Plan Act.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

### Analysis

This resolution appropriates \$1,740,000 from the Office of Family Safety to various nonprofit organizations selected to receive American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) funds. Resolution No. RS2021-1152 previously appropriated \$3,148,980 in ARP funds for the support of various nonprofit organizations to address increased demand for therapy and services for victims of abuse, human trafficking and interpersonal violence. The Office of Family Safety accepted applications from nonprofit organizations and recommended the distribution of funds to these organizations. The Mayor has accepted these recommendations.

Funds would be distributed as follows:

- \$500,000 to Family & Children's Services for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence;
- \$450,000 to Nashville Children's Alliance for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence;
- \$400,000 to Sexual Assault Center for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence;
- \$120,000 to The Mary Parrish Center for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence;
- \$270,000 to AGAPE for the provision of therapeutic services for adults and children impacted by interpersonal violence and to assist petitioners with Orders of Protection at the Family Safety Center.