

NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That there is hereby appropriated \$750,000 from Fund No. 30216 to fund a grant to Why We Can't Wait, Inc., to be used to provide violence interruption services.

Section 2. That the grant contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and Why We Can't Wait, Inc., for the provision of violence interruption services, attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

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

The resolution approves a grant contract between the Metropolitan Board of Health and Why We Can't Wait, Inc., for the provision of violence interruption services.

The Community Safety Partnership Fund Advisory Board has recommended \$750,000 to be distributed to Why We Can't Wait, Inc. to be used to deliver a public health approach to reducing violence crime in Nashville and Davidson County. This grant will be used to provide best practices based violence interruption services in collaboration with the Metro Public Health Department. Why We Can't Wait will use these funds to assist with the Cure Violence Model using the following approaches:

- Detecting and interrupting potentially violent conflicts
- Identifying and helping highest risk individuals
- Community mobilization/change behavior norms
- Continual data collection and modeling

The term of the grant contract begins August 1, 2023 and ends on July 31, 2025. Metro will pay to Why We Can't Wait \$750,000 for the performance of this contract.