



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution appropriating a total of \$200,000 from the Office of Family Safety to various nonprofit organizations selected to receive Community Partnership Fund grants.

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, the Office of Family Safety has accepted applications from nonprofit organizations to receive Community Partnership Fund grants; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor has accepted the recommendations of the Office of Family Safety that \$200,000 in Community Partnership Fund grants 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 \$200,000 from the Office of Family Safety to nonprofit organizations as follows:

- a) \$50,000 to The Mary Parrish Center to provide transitional and permanent housing and support services to survivors of interpersonal violence; and,
- b) \$30,000 to Nurture the Next to implement an outreach program for victims of interpersonal violence to encourage them to seek help through Nashville's Family Safety Centers; and,
- c) \$15,000 to The Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence to increase the safety of immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and trafficking in Davidson County through the provision of free direct legal representation; and,
- d) \$15,000 to Family and Children's Services to provide crisis services to victims of interpersonal violence via the Crisis Contact Center with 24/7/365 access to highly trained crisis intervention specialists; and,
- e) \$40,000 to AGAPE/Morning Star to assist victims of domestic violence seeking services at the Family Safety Center with applying for Orders of Protection and Safety Planning; and,
- f) \$50,000 to The Nashville Children's Alliance to reduce the trauma for children and families who have experienced child abuse or neglect.

Section 2. The Metropolitan Government is hereby authorized to enter into grant contracts 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.

Section 3. 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 \$200,000 from the Office of Family Safety to various nonprofit organizations selected to receive Community Partnership Fund grants. 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 will be distributed as follows:

- \$50,000 to the Mary Parish Center to provide transitional and permanent housing and support services to survivors of interpersonal violence;
- \$30,000 to Nurture the Next to implement an outreach program for victims of interpersonal violence to encourage them to seek help through Nashville's Family Safety Centers;
- \$15,000 to The Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence to increase the safety of immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and trafficking in Davidson County through the provision of free direct legal representation;
- \$15,000 to Family and Children's Services to provide crisis services to victims of interpersonal violence via the Crisis Contact Center with 24/7/365 access to highly trained crisis intervention specialists;
- \$40,000 to AGAPE/Morning Star to assist victims of domestic violence seeking services at the Family Safety Center with applying for Orders of Protection and Safety Planning;
- \$50,000 to The Nashville Children's Alliance to reduce the trauma for children and families who have experienced child abuse or neglect.

This resolution authorizes the Metropolitan Government to enter into grant contracts with these nonprofit organizations for the amounts and purposes provided above.