

Resolution authorizing a one-year contract with SID Public Service Association to provide matching dollars for SNAP benefits redeemed at participating farmers markets. (Community Partnerships) (\$10,000)

WHEREAS, basic access to nourishing food is out of reach for far too many people in Franklin County. 17.7% of Franklin County residents and an astounding 22.3% of children are food insecure, meaning they have limited or uncertain access to nutritionally adequate and safe foods.

WHEREAS, poor food access is a major contributor to health disparities, disproportionately high rates of disease and other health problems among low income communities; and

WHEREAS, research shows that people living in areas without access to healthy food suffer from high rates of diet-related deaths; and

WHEREAS, the cost of fresh produce is a significant barrier for low-income individuals trying to access healthy foods; and

WHEREAS, the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) is a federal program that provides support to low income families so they can prioritize a healthier, more consistent diet without compromising as much on rent, utilities, transportation, and basic needs. Participation in SNAP can lead to a reduction in food insecurity; and

WHEREAS, with a \$10,000 match from the City of Columbus, the SID will implement and manage the 2016 Veggie SNAPS program at thirteen farmers Markets throughout Franklin County.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners wish to support the Veggie SNAPS program of the SID Public Services Association, as authorized under Section 307.85 of the Ohio Revised Code; now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

That the attached contract for services with SID Public Service Association for the period of January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 and the attached purchase order, individually described on the accompanying Purchase

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Order Proof List in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, are hereby approved.

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Cc: Auditor
SID Public Service Association