

Resolution approving a COVID-19 Recovery Grant with the Community Partners Youth Development to support a co-working space and business resource hub for minority and underserved entrepreneurs. (Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) (\$1,000,000)

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners is authorized to enter into subgrant agreements with public and private organizations for the purchase of U.S Department of Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds authorized in section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, Title IX of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (H.R. 1319) authorized the creation of a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to make payments to units of local government that are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, assistance to small businesses is an eligible use of funds pursuant to §35.6(b)(3)(ii)(B)(2) of the Final Rule promulgated by the U.S. Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Community Partners Youth Development Organization (CPYDO), a non-profit organization established in 1999, whose mission is to be a leading provider of youth development services, understands the hurdles that minority and underserved entrepreneurs faces due to lack of education and fragmented resources; and

WHEREAS, CPYDO has therefore created the Center of Entrepreneurial Development (COED) to serve as a co-working space for minority and underserved entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners believes in economic development and the method that CPYDO will provide assistance to small emerging businesses within Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners proposes to enter into an agreement with Community Partners Youth Development, for the time period of February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025 for a total dollar value of \$1,000,000.00; now, therefore,

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

1. That the County Administrator is hereby authorized pursuant to section 305.30 of the Revised Code to take all actions, including the execution of all documents or amendments upon approval to form by the Franklin County Prosecutor’s Office, necessary to enter into, implement, and administer the contracts and that are not substantially inconsistent with this Resolution.
2. That the agreement with the Community Partners Youth Development for support to the Center of Entrepreneurial Development hereby be approved.
3. That the attached purchase order in the amount of \$1,000,000 that is individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List is hereby approved.

AGENCY

CONTRACT AMOUNT

Community Partners Youth Development Organization \$ 1,000,000.00

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