

**Resolution authorizing a COVID-19 Recovery Grant with Lutheran Social Services to provide gap funding to the CHOICES Domestic Violence Shelter.  
(Community Partnerships) (\$1,000,000)**

**WHEREAS**, since 1912, Lutheran Social Services (LSS) has been fulfilling its mission “to create a better world by serving people in need” by addressing hunger, housing, healing, and hope.; and

**WHEREAS**, Lutheran Social Services (LSS) serves thousands of people in need each day by addressing the four core societal issues of food, shelter, safety and healing.; and

**WHEREAS**, following the pandemic, new and different technology and human resources infrastructures are critically needed to better support new and emerging workforce and business practices.; and

**WHEREAS**, the high need for domestic violence services combined with the effects of the pandemic, affordable housing crisis and high inflation is outstripping CHOICES’ ability to meet demand.; 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 nonprofit organizations is an eligible use of funds pursuant to §35.6(b)(3)(ii)(C) of the Final Rule promulgated by the U.S. Department of Treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners wishes to support Lutheran Social Services in providing expanded opportunities to serve residents who were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic pursuant to sections 307.85 of the Revised Code; 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 approve and execute the agreement upon approval to form by the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office with Lutheran Social Services.
2. That the attached purchase order in the amount of \$1,000,000 that is individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List to meet the obligations in the current fiscal year is hereby approved.
3. That the County Administrator is hereby authorized 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 agreement and that are not substantially inconsistent with this Resolution.

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