



City of Cleveland Memorandum

Justin M. Bibb, Mayor

TO: Blaine A. Griffin, Chair
Committee of the Whole

FROM: Karrie D. Howard, Director
Department of Public Safety

DATE: December 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Ordinance 1147-2022 authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 21 Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant; and authorizing one or more contracts with Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, Inc. dba FrontLine Services and the Near West Side Multi-Service Corporation dba May Dugan Center to implement the grant.

Purpose:

Ordinance No. 1147-2020, if approved by City Council, would authorize the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant in the amount of \$17,529.80 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY21 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Grant. Funding will be used to fund a Homicide Review Commission (HRC).

Members of the Division of Police and County Prosecutor's Office meet monthly to review both open and closed cases. These in-depth case reviews of homicides examine the victims, offenders, associates, witnesses, circumstances, and setting of homicide events.

The purpose of the Cleveland Homicide Review Commission is:

- To solve homicides in a more efficient and effective manner.
- To gain a better understanding of homicide through strategic problem-solving
- To develop innovative and effective responses and prevention strategies that result in a reduction of homicides.
- To help better focus available prevention and intervention resources.

Expenses to be Reimbursed:

Personnel:	\$ 3,825.29 (Overtime for detectives working on the HRC)
Contracts:	\$ 13,000.00 (Witness relocation services)
Supplies:	\$ <u>704.51</u> (Office supplies)
Total:	\$ 17,529.80

Grant Information:

- This is the third year we have received this grant
- No local match is required
- Grant period – 11/01/22 – 12/31/23