

# Ordinance No. 1370-2023

By Council Members Conwell and Griffin  
(by departmental request)

## AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public health to enter into one or more contracts with various agencies and entities to provide MomsFirst services to women at risk of poor birth outcomes for a period of one year.

WHEREAS, MomsFirst is a program designated to reduce disparities in infant mortality in the City of Cleveland utilizing three approaches 1) improve women's health, 2) improve family health and wellness, and 3) promote systems change; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Health is authorized to enter into one or more contracts with various agencies and entitles, including but not limited to, The Merrick House, Friendly Inn Settlement, Inc., West Side Community House, St. Martin De Porres, Birthing Beautiful Communities, The MetroHealth System, Ronald K White dba Transparency Project (Fatherhood), and Case Western Reserve University, to provide MomsFirst services to women at risk of poor birth outcomes, for a period of one year.

Section 2. That the cost of the agreements shall be paid from Fund No. 01-5008-6380. (RQS 5008, RLA 2023-121)

Section 3. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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11-27-2023  
FOR: Director Margolius

