Ordinance No. 1452-2025

By Council Members Polensek, Howse-Jones, Kelly, Santana and Griffin (by departmental request)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Executive Director of the Community Relations Board to enter into one or more contracts with Esperanza, Inc. for the public purpose of providing outreach services and programming for high-risk youth in hot-spot areas in Wards 7, 11, and 14 under the Safe Streets Safe Schools Project program for youth, for a period of one year with three one-year options to renew, exercisable by the Executive Director of the Community Relations Board.

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 Executive Director of the Community Relations Board is authorized to enter into one or more contracts with Esperanza, Inc. for the public purpose of providing outreach services and programming for high-risk youth in hot-spot areas in Wards 7, 11, and 14 under the Safe Streets Safe Schools Project program for youth, on the basis of its proposal received on November 5, 2025, for the Community Relations Board, for a period of one year with three one-year options to renew, exercisable by the Executive Director of the Community Relations Board.

Section 2. That under Section 108(b) of the Charter, the services authorized by this ordinance may be made through cooperative arrangements with other governmental agencies. The Executive Director of the Community Relations Board may sign all documents that are necessary to obtain such services, and may enter into one or more contracts with the consultants selected through that cooperative process.

Section 3. The contract or contracts shall be paid from Fund No. 10 SF 166. (RQS 0109, RL 2025-91)

Section 4. 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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FOR: Director Shute-Woodson

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