

Ordinance No. 1464-2025

**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 The Merrick House, Friendly Inn Settlement, Inc., West Side Community House, Lexington Bell Community Center, Birthing Beautiful Communities, The MetroHealth System, Ronald White dba the Transparency Project, Case Western Reserve University and other organizations to provide MomsFirst services to women at risk of poor birth outcomes in the City of Cleveland, for a period of one year.

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 The Merrick House, Friendly Inn Settlement, Inc., West Side Community House, Lexington Bell Community Center, Birthing Beautiful Communities, The MetroHealth System, Ronald White dba the Transparency Project, Case Western Reserve University and other organizations to continue to provide MomsFirst project services to reduce infant mortality to women at risk of poor birth outcomes om the City of Cleveland, for a period of one year. The services shall include but not be limited to, face-to-face visits and phone calls to provide women enrolled in the program with outreach, case management, health education, screening, and referrals, and other services.

Section 2. That the aggregate costs of these contracts shall not exceed \$435,464.00 and any other funds that become available during the grant term, and shall be paid from Fund No. 01-5008-6380, and from any other funds approved by the Director of Finance for this purpose. (RQS 5008, RLA 2025-130)

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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FOR: Director Margolius

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