

Ordinance No. 486-2023

**By Council Members Polensek and Griffin
(by departmental request)**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into a Donor Advised Agreement with The Cleveland Foundation to establish, manage, and implement a City of Cleveland Neighborhood Safety Fund to provide grants for programs, interventions, and initiatives serving Cleveland residents that address the root causes of and effects from violence.

WHEREAS, violence has remained persistent in the City of Cleveland and has harmed and continues to harm Cleveland residents, families and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the root causes of violence include but are not limited to systematic issues of disinvestment, poverty, a lack of employment and livable wages, unmet mental health support and services, and unaddressed forms of racialized trauma; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to create a long-term fund to be held and administered by the Cleveland Foundation that will provide annual grants for community-driven, evidence-informed programming which will serve Cleveland residents, be aligned with the City's violence prevention strategic plan to address the root causes of and effects from violence, and will provide support for areas including but not limited to gender-based violence; mental health; employment and job readiness; education; evidence-informed and community-centered violence interruption strategies; reentry resources for residents, their families, and loved ones; youth development and out-of-school-time enrichment opportunities; survivors of violence; and built environment including the arts, and culturally affirming and community building approaches to healing; 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, for the purposes stated in this ordinance, the Director of Finance is authorized to enter into a Donor Advised Fund Agreement with The Cleveland Foundation to establish, manage and implement the City of Cleveland Neighborhood Safety Fund to provide grants for programs, interventions, and initiatives serving Cleveland residents that address the root causes of and effects from violence.

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Section 2. That the Donor Advised Fund Agreement shall be substantially in the same form as the agreement contained in **File No. 486-2023-A**.

Section 3. That the costs of the agreement shall not exceed \$10,000,000.00 and shall be paid from Fund No. 10 SF 400 and other funds approved by the Director of Finance. (RQS 0114, RL 2023-23)

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.

SM:nl
4-17-2023
FOR: Director Abonamah

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READ FIRST TIME on APRIL 17, 2023

and referred to DIRECTORS of Finance, Law;

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