

Department of Finance Legislative Summary

ORDINANCE NO: 558-2025

DESCRIPTION:

Authorizing the Director of Finance, on behalf of the Mayor's Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults, to enter into a contract with Karamu House to provide the Out-of-School-Time theater arts program for a fee not to exceed \$60,008. This contract is for a period of twelve months, beginning June 1, 2025 and continuing through May 31, 2026, with two options to renew for a period of two years, exercisable by the Director of Finance. **RQS 0114 RLA2025*06**

SOURCE: General Fund

**CONTRACT
AMOUNT:** \$60,008

ACTIVITY SUMMARY:

The Mayor's Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults (PIOYYA) creates programs, initiatives, and establishes key external partnerships to improve the overall well-being of Cleveland's youth, young adults, families and community. The overarching goals are to prevent violence before it occurs; reduce the adverse consequences of violence and trauma; improve quality of life; and increase access to high-quality programming, resources and support services.

The Expanded Programs provide a variety of programming and activities in our NRRCs and other community/third spaces. These programs and activities for youth and adults fall into six categories:

1. Youth and Adult Education
2. Job and Career Readiness
3. Health and Wellness
4. Youth Leadership Development, Mentorship and Community Service
5. The Arts
6. Non-Traditional Sports and Recreation

Mayor Justin Bibb has made violence prevention a priority every summer since taking office in 2022. The Expanded Programs play a major role in focusing the attention of our youth on positive programs and activities where they can learn and explore. Responsible adults provide mentorship, guidance and lead activities that meet the needs of our community.

The requested legislation will allow the Mayor's Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity for Youth and Young Adults to continue offering high-quality Out-Of-School Time expanded programs and activities.