



Legislation Text

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ARPA Funds - MHR SB
Department of Law
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Revised

Authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of \$2,000,000 from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund for a Behavioral Health Response Grant Program; authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Lucas County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board for said purpose; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The City of Toledo is the recipient of \$180.9 million through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to be used to address the public health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Toledo Recovery Plan framework (authorized by Ordinance 530-21) includes \$2 million for investments in mental health support services. This ordinance allows for the appropriation and expenditure of \$2 million in proposed programming to address behavioral health needs of City of Toledo residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

This ARPA funded program would be administered by subrecipient Lucas County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board (MHR SB). These subrecipient funds will be awarded to eligible providers of mental and behavioral health services and eligible community organizations and nonprofits within the City of Toledo to support the operations of MHR SB in combatting the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Attached is a document submitted by the Lucas County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board which outlines six proposed projects spanning mental wellness community grants, rapid response and trauma/grief support capacity building, domestic violence treatment, navigation services, and rehabilitation resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the appropriation of \$2,000,000 is authorized from the unappropriated balance of the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to Account Code 2021-10200- 6HEALTHBRDNEI for a Behavioral Health Response Grant Program and further authorizing the expenditure of same.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement with Lucas County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board for the purposes authorized in Section 1 upon terms and conditions consistent with American Rescue Plan Act regulations and otherwise applicable to the Director of Law.

SECTION 3. That the Finance Director is authorized to draw warrant or warrants against the above Account Code in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 in payment of the above-authorized obligations upon presentation of the proper voucher or vouchers.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance, being an emergency measure, shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that the Ordinance is necessary for the

immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and property and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective in order to timely provide funding for behavioral health needs exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 11, nays 0.

Passed: April 18, 2023, as an emergency measure: yeas 11, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

April 18, 2023
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor