

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
JUNE 4, 2024 AGENDA**

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Action Required:</b>	<b>Approved By:</b>
<p>To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,655 (April 5, 2022), to enter into a seven (7)-month contract extension with five (5) organizations to provide Neighborhood Safety Programs in an effort to reduce community violence and to increase public safety within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.</p> <p><b>Submitted By:</b></p> <p>Community Programs Department</p>	<p>Ordinance √ <b>Resolution</b></p>	<p>Emily Cox Acting City Manager</p>
<b>SYNOPSIS</b>	<p>A resolution to amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,655 (April 5, 2022), to authorize the City Manager to enter into a seven (7)-month contract extension with five (5) organizations to provide Neighborhood Safety Programs in an effort to reduce community violence and to increase public safety within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.</p>	
<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<p>The total amount is not to exceed \$127,907.50, and funds for the programs are allocated in 2024 Prevention, Intervention and Treatment Funds, YIP Core Programs, Account No. 108159-S15C577.</p>	
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	<p>As a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic, there was an increase in criminal activity, which prompted the City to respond to the Public Health Emergency by providing Community Violence Reduction Services and activities for the benefit of City of Little Rock residents.</p>	

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The Little Rock Police Department identified ‘Hot Spots’ located in Wards 1, 2, 6 and 7, and the development of these programs would create positive outcomes and the overall quality of life for the children, youth and families residing in those areas.

Bid No. 1490 requested applications for Neighborhood Safety Programs that would become a part of the Prevention, Intervention and Treatment Programs. Eight (8) applications met the minimum score for funding consideration, and the Review Committee selected the initial eight (8) organizations. Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,655 (April 5, 2022) authorized a one (1)-year contract, with each of the eight (8) organizations.

In March 2024, the Children, Youth and Family Commission voted to extend the Neighborhood Safety Contracts for a period of seven (7) months, pro-rating the initial amount(s) awarded accordingly. Of the original eight (8) programs, the following five (5) program providers have opted to continue offering the services as written in the initial Request for Proposal, Bid 1489.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Tutoring, STEM Activities and/or Academic Enrichment</b>	
Urban League of Arkansas	\$26,191.67
<b>Parental, Family and Community Engagement:</b>	
McMahan Counseling	\$26,075.00
<b>Social and Emotional Learning</b>	
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central AR (Thrasher)	\$23,140.83
TRich Dream Believe	\$26,250.00
<b>Recreation, Health and Wellness</b>	
Bridge2Success	\$26,250.00
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$127,907.50</b>

Funds for these programs are from the 2024 PIT Allocation, and the cost of these extensions shall not exceed \$127,907.50. The term for these contracts shall be no longer than seven (7) months with the prorated amounts. Allowable expenditures on, or after, May 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, shall be covered as expressed in each program provider’s signed contract.