

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
OCTOBER 20, 2026 AGENDA**

Subject: 2027 Be Mighty Program Contract Extension with Central Arkansas Library System	Action Required: √ Ordinance Resolution	Approved By: Delphone Hubbard City Manager
Submitted By: Community Programs Department		
SYNOPSIS	An ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a PIT contract extension with Central Arkansas Library System (CALS) to continue the Be Mighty Meals Program for a 1-year term from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027, and cover allowable expenses per the terms of the signed contract.	
FISCAL IMPACT	The total amount is not to exceed \$100,000.00. Funds for this purchase are allocated in Department of Community Programs Account No. 108159.	
RECOMMENDATION	Pass the Ordinance.	
BACKGROUND	The Be Mighty Program is a partnership between the City and Central Arkansas Library System that connects children and teens under 18 with free meals at several local libraries. The program facilitates community food security with Little Free Pantries, cooking classes, and health and wellness classes. Be Mighty works with SNAP Navigators to assist at several library locations and is endorsed by the Commission for Children, Youth and Families annually.	