



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The 2015 adopted operating budget of the Community Development Division authorizes expenditures of \$275,000 annually for the Emerging Opportunities Program. The Spring 2015 EOP funding process allocated \$175,000. This resolution authorizes the allocation of those funds. No additional appropriation is required.

Title

SUBSTITUTE-Approving the provision of up to \$175,000 in 2015 Emerging Opportunities Program (EOP) funds to identified agencies and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into agreements with those agencies to implement the designated projects.

Body

The adopted 2015 Community Development Division (CDD) Operating Budget includes \$275,000 in Community Agency Contracts spending authority for projects to be supported with Emerging Opportunities Program funds allocated in two application cycles, as established in RES-13-00574 (Legistar # 30635, 7/22/2013). This resolution allocates \$175,000 of those funds.

WHEREAS, the adopted 2015 CDD Operating Budget includes \$275,000 in program expenditures for EOP-funded Community Agency Contracts; and,

WHEREAS, the CD Division has undertaken a Spring Request for Proposals process in which \$175,000 in Emerging Opportunities Program funds was made available, and,

WHEREAS, the Community Development Division Conference Committee reviewed the submitted EOP proposals (which included nearly \$750,000 in total funding requests), and finalized its recommendations for the following program allocations at its meeting on April 20, 2015:

Asset Builders of America, Inc., up to **\$5,000** for a program to enhance youth's financial knowledge and literacy to be conducted on the City's northside.

Bethany United Methodist Church as the fiscal agent for The Playing Field, up to **\$12,000** to support a new child care facility intended to serve about 50 children, some of whom will be from families experiencing homelessness.

Briarpatch Youth Services, as the fiscal agent for Let's Eat Out, up to **\$6,300** to provide youth internship opportunities in the food service and entrepreneurship area.

Center for Families, up to **\$10,000** to support the development and work of a Community Action Board, comprised of persons who utilize the Center's programs.

Common Wealth Development Inc., up to **\$19,000** to support the operations of the Southwest Transitional Employment Project which addresses high levels of poverty and unemployment in identified southwest Madison neighborhoods.

Lussier Community Education Center, up to **\$11,000** to support the Center's Voices on Air which will create a community and youth run low power FM radio station on Madison's Westside.

Madison Music Makers, Inc., up to **\$8,000** to help develop teen-agers' teaching skills and provide

employment opportunities in music.

Madison-area Urban Ministry, up to **\$28,000** to support the provision of assessment and case management services through the Communities Against Violence Program.

Mellowhood Foundation, Inc., up to **\$6,500** to support the Mellowhood Pathways to Leadership Development Initiative which targets youth and families primarily in southwest Madison neighborhoods.

Mentoring Positives, Inc., up to **\$10,000** to support the Play-Eat-Grow Summer Project in the Darbo Worthington neighborhood.

Race to Equity (Wisconsin Council on Children and Families), up to **\$7,000** to support the organization's Community Ambassadors Fellowship Initiative.

Rape Crisis Center, up to **\$12,000** to strengthen the Center's capacity to provide culturally and linguistically competent sexual abuse counseling to the Latina/Latino population.

The River Food Pantry, up to **\$11,600** to provide job training for about 25 unemployed or unemployed residents who are interested in careers as commercial baker/food service workers.

Simpson Street Free Press, up to **\$8,000** to help support the academic development of youth through the La Prensa Libre de Simpson Street project.

WRTP/BIG STEP, up to **\$12,000** to support an initiative designed to help cultivate a more diverse workforce in the construction industry by targeting high school students and their families for participation in a construction academy for youth.

Wisconsin Youth Company as the fiscal agent for Men Developing Young Minds, up to **\$8,600** to provide ~~Girl's inc programming for middle and high school age girls in South West Madison.~~ mentoring services to approximately 20 potentially at risk, young black male students and their families, to help improve academic performance, behavior and interactive skills, and to help develop positive behavior traits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council approves the Emerging Opportunities Program funding allocations for the Spring 2015 cycle detailed above, as recommended by the Community Development Division Conference Committee; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Clerk are authorized to execute agreements with the above listed agencies (or their fiscal agents) for the described activities.