



AGENDA
CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING
COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
1:00 PM

Committee Members:

Yvonne M. Conwell, Chair – District 7
Martin J. Sweeney, Vice Chair – District 3
Cheryl L. Stephens – District 10
Meredith M. Turner – District 9
Dale Miller – District 2

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 26, 2024 MEETING** [See Page 3]
- 5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**
 - a) R2024-0247: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to Birthing Beautiful Communities for the Birth Center Facility Project from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective. [See Page 6]
 - b) R2024-0249: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$25,000, to the Spread the Love Foundation for the Interest 2 Income Program from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective. [See Page 17]
- 6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

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MINUTES

CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & AGING COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024

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C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR

1:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Conwell called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Conwell asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Conwell, Sweeney, Turner and Miller were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens was absent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Loh addressed the committee members regarding funding for critical health and human services programs.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 12, 2024 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Mr. Miller and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2024 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2024-0245: A Resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$770,000.00 for direct client services assisting low-income families with free tax preparation, financial counseling, legal advocacy, outreach and education services for the period 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2026; authorizing the County Executive to execute Contract No. 4584 and all other documents consistent with said award and this Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. David Merriman, Director and Mr. Marcos Cortes, Administrator of the Division of Contracts and Performance for the Department of Health and Human Services; and Ms. Kathy Matthews, Program Director for Enterprise Community Partners, Inc., addressed the Committee regarding Resolution No. R2024-0245. Discussion ensued.

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Mr. Cortes and Ms. Matthews pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell with a second by Ms. Turner, Resolution No. R2024-0245 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda with a recommendation for passage under second reading suspension of the rules.

Ms. Conwell, Ms. Turner, Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Miller requested to have their names added as co-sponsors to the legislation.

6. PRESENTATION

- a) David Merriman, Director, Department of Health and Human Services, Pay for Success Program

The following individuals made a presentation to the committee and provided an overview of the innovative coaching and funding model to improve Ohio National Guard student outcomes for the Pay for Success Program:

- **Mr. David Merriman, Director, Department of Health and Human Services**
- **Ms. Jessica Hector, Associate Vice President of Partner Success for Inside Track**
- **Ms. Dinah Zeiss, Strategic Partnership Director for Inside Track**
- **Ms. Caitlin Collins, Program Director for Inside Track**
- **Ms. Simon Gross, Managing Director for Maycomb Capital**
- **Mr. Anthony J. Lam, Retired Lieutenant Colonel for the Ohio Army National Guard, Transition Services Branch Chief**
- **Mr. Jerad Shank, Senior Director, Military and Apprenticeship Initiatives and Special Projects for The Ohio Department of Higher Education**

Committee members asked questions of Mr. Merriman, Ms. Hector, Ms. Zeiss, Ms. Collins, Ms. Gross, Mr. Lam and Mr. Shank pertaining to the presentation, which they answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Conwell adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m., without objection.

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2024-0247

Sponsored by: Councilmember Jones	A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$10,000, to Birthing Beautiful Communities for the Birth Center facility project from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County received \$239,898,257 from the Federal Government through the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”); and

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County calculated 100% of the ARPA dollars as loss revenue under the U.S. Department of the Treasury Final Rule; and

WHEREAS, since all the ARPA dollars have been calculated as loss revenue, the ARPA dollars have been deposited in the County’s General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive and County Council have authorized \$86 million of the ARPA dollars for community grants to benefit the residents of Cuyahoga County (the “ARPA Community Grant Fund”); and

WHEREAS, of the \$86 million for community grants, \$66 million have been encumbered for equal distribution to each County Council District; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide funding from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund in the amount of \$10,000 to Birthing Beautiful Communities for the Birth Center facility project; and

WHEREAS, Birthing Beautiful Communities estimates approximately 700 people will be served annually through this award; and

WHEREAS, Birthing Beautiful Communities estimates approximately 30-45 permanent and temporary jobs will be created or retained through this project; and

WHEREAS, Birthing Beautiful Communities estimates the total cost of the project is \$12,625,375; and

WHEREAS, Birthing Beautiful Communities indicates the other funding source(s) for this project includes:

- A. The Cleveland Foundation - \$1,500,000

- B. The George Gund Foundation - \$1,000,000
- C. The City of Cleveland - \$1,000,000
- D. State of Ohio - Strategic Community Investment Fund - \$400,000
- E. George W. Codrington Charitable Foundation - \$100,000
- F. William and Dorothy K. O'Neill Foundation - \$85,000
- G. Bruening Foundation - \$75,000
- H. Birth Center Equity - \$25,000
- I. Huntington Bank - \$20,000
- J. Loring, Wolcott & Coolidge Trust - \$10,000
- K. Cuyahoga County - \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, Birthing Beautiful Communities is estimating the start date of the project will be Q3 of 2024 and the project will be completed by Q1 of 2026; and

WHEREAS, Birthing Beautiful Communities requested \$10,000 from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund to complete this project; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide funding in the amount of \$10,000 to Birthing Beautiful Communities to ensure this project is completed; and

WHEREAS, this Council by a vote of at least eight (8) members determines that it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue to provide for the usually, daily operations of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby awards a not-to-exceed amount of \$10,000 to Birthing Beautiful Communities from the General Fund made available by the American Rescue Plan Act revenue replacement provision for the Birth Center facility project.

SECTION 2. If any specific appropriation is necessary to effectuate this agreement, the Director of the Office of Budget and Management is authorized to submit the requisite documentation to financial reporting to journalize the appropriation.

SECTION 3. That the County Council staff is authorized to prepare all documents to effectuate said award.

SECTION 4. That the County Executive is authorized to execute all necessary agreements and documents consistent with said award and this Resolution.

SECTION 5. If requested or necessary, the Agency of the Inspector General or Department of Internal Audit is authorized to investigate, audit, or review any part of this award.

SECTION 6. To the extent that any exemptions are necessary under the County Code and contracting procedures, they shall be deemed approved by the adoption of this Resolution.

SECTION 7. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 8. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas:

Nays:

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: July 2, 2024

Committee(s) Assigned: Health, Human Services & Aging

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COUNTY AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT APPLICATION 2024

APPLICANT INFORMATION:	
Name of Requesting Entity (City, Business, Non-Profit, etc.): Birthing Beautiful Communities	
Address of Requesting Entity: 3043 Superior Ave Cleveland, OH 44114	
County Council District # of Requesting Entity: Ohio's 11th congressional district and County Council District #7	
Address or Location of Project if Different than Requesting Entity: 1802 East 65th Street, Cleveland OH 44103	
County Council District # of Address or Location of Project if Different than Requesting Entity: County Council District #7	
Address of Entity:	
Contact Name of Person Filling out This Request: Jazmin Long	
Contact Address if different than Requesting Entity:	
Email: jlong@birthingbeautiful.org	Phone: 216-400-4090
Federal IRS Tax Exempt No.: 47-4453278	Date: 6/17/2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

REQUEST DESCRIPTION (include the project name, a description of the project, why the project is important or needed, and timeline of milestones/tracking of the project):

Birthing Beautiful Communities (BBC) is Northeast Ohio's only community-based doula program dedicated to improving the quality of life for Black mothers, babies, and families. Since 2014, BBC has worked to address and improve systemic and community structures that contribute to poor birth outcomes through culture, education, advocacy, support, and engagement. We provide free services to over 700 new and expectant mothers and families each year that include perinatal support doula services, childbirth and parenting workshops, life goal planning, transportation and healthy eating, lactation consultation, postpartum support, and classes and support groups to address self-care and anxiety.

Birthing Beautiful Communities (BBC) is a leader in infant and maternal health, providing perinatal services to pregnant and postpartum families. The organization provides extensive doula services to support families at the highest risk for infant mortality. The infant and mortality rate among African American women within Cuyahoga County is nearly four times that of white women. BBC provides perinatal birth support to black women, thereby addressing the social determinants of health to improve the systemic and community structure.

By providing Northeast Ohio families with a range of innovative health, social service, and educational services in one location, BBC is addressing an unmet need throughout Ohio. Offering these comprehensive services to families in one location means more financial efficiency, better health and social outcomes, and more quality access to care. Also, when resources are focused on quality and early prevention, the local, state, and federal government sees remarkable "cost offsets" from costly interventions associated with child welfare, juvenile justice, public health, and mental health systems.

The United States has been facing a maternal and infant health crisis for many years, with significant racial disparities in infant morbidity and mortality. Black babies are three times more likely to die in the first 12 months. In Cuyahoga County, the infant mortality rate for Black babies increases to 4.19 times more likely, accounting for 73% of infant deaths (First Year Cleveland). The reality of this problem in the Black community is not contingent on socioeconomic status. Neither income nor education are protective factors when it comes to these disparities in birth and health outcomes, further reinforcing the central role of structural racism and implicit bias in healthcare.

This is a critical time for women and babies as their health outcomes are indicators of national, state, and community health. If mothers and babies are not thriving or even living, then that is a direct indication that the community, state and/or nation is not well. BBC is committed to changing the narrative of maternal and infant health in the community with the construction of a birth center. The establishment of a birth center is an important next step in providing patient-centered, cost-effective, and high-quality maternity care.

A birth center is a facility that provides a home-like setting for women to give birth with the assistance of trained midwives. The focus of a birth center is to provide individualized, family-centered care to women during pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum. The Birth Center complements the doula work of Birthing Beautiful Communities and goes further: providing added support to mothers and babies during one of the most important times in their lives.

The Birth Center will be approximately 15,000 sq. ft. building and will include:

four birthing suites, two exam rooms, stations for the medical team, office space for the BBC team, and a large flexible community room to hold events, workshops, trainings etc.

The quarterly timeline is as follows:

- 1) Q2-2024 development/organizational phase continues,
- 2) Q3-2024 construction phase begins and continues through Q1-2025,
- 3) Q2-2025 all purchases of equipment/supply and services made,
- 4) Q2- 2025 hiring of operational and additional administrative staff,
- 5) Q3-2025 Birth Center officially opens!

Project Start Date: Q3-2024	Project End Date: Q1-2026
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IMPACT OF PROJECT:

Who will be served:

Birthing Beautiful Communities serves mothers and fathers across Northeast Ohio. The program primarily targets African American mothers at the highest risk for infant mortality but is available to all birthing families. BBC's services have been proven to save lives, improve equity, empower mothers, and ensure ongoing family success through improved prenatal care, increased breastfeeding rates, fewer medical

interventions, more positive birth experiences, and improved parenting skills. Birthing Beautiful Communities demonstrates the operationalization of a Black perspective, lifts up the power of communities to lead in their own care, and offers a blueprint for action to improve inequities and maternal-infant health in Cuyahoga County.

How many people will be served annually:

BBC anticipates serving approximately 700 clients annually.

Will low/moderate income people be served; if so how:

Our programs have been designed to serve all families, regardless of economic or class distinction. Our healthcare services will be affordable, and we will offer a sliding scale based on income. This helps to meet the needs of the uninsured population, which is growing daily. Our classes are free to all families. We believe that every family—and every parent—has an inherent interest in becoming the most capable, compassionate, and educated parent they can be. We further believe that to create the best chance for success, these same families benefit greatly from a central place to gather, to become educated, to receive health care, and become connected to resources within their communities.

How does the project fit with the community and with other ongoing projects:

The Hough community is undergoing an unprecedented period of equity-centered investment. With \$700MM of investment projected and/or in the ground. Birthing Beautiful Communities plays an instrumental role in creating the conditions for a life well-lived for its residents in Hough and its surrounding communities.

If applicable, how many jobs will be created or retained (specify the number for each) and will the jobs be permanent or temporary:

BBC currently has a staff of 60, all of whom will be retained. We anticipate adding an additional 10-15 administrative positions and 20-30 operational positions, all of which will be permanent.

Address of Entity:

If applicable, what environmental issues or benefits will there be:

N/A

If applicable, how does this project serve as a catalyst for future initiatives:

As part of our vision to provide exceptional perinatal support, birth, and breastfeeding options to communities at risk for infant mortality, BBC will construct a 15,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art campus at 65th and Chester in the Hough/Midtown neighborhood. In the last 5 years, this area has experienced a resurgence with development in adjacent University Circle and the emergence of new apartments and institutions, including the Cleveland Foundation, a long-standing partner of BBC. It is also a prime location for hospital access: MetroHealth, The Cleveland Clinic, and University Hospitals. All of which will be located within 15 minutes of the Birth Center.

The Birth Center will include four birthing suites, two exam rooms, stations for the medical team, office space for the BBC team, and a community room to host training, workshops, etc. With this new building, BBC will continue to provide doula support services in the birth center, along with well-women’s care, prenatal, birth, and postpartum midwifery care, parenting classes, pregnancy and childbirth classes, family activities, exercise classes, family counseling services, and breastfeeding support. The operations for the birth center will be supported by a team consisting of an administrator, a director of patient services, a midwife, and a nurse.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:
<p>Total Budget of Project:</p> <p>\$12,625,375.00</p>
<p>Other Funding Sources of Project (list each source and dollar amount separately):</p> <p>The Cleveland Foundation - \$1,500,000 (Secured) The George Gund Foundation - \$1,000,000 (Secured) The City of Cleveland - \$1,000,000 (Secured) State of Ohio - Strategic Community Investment Fund - \$400,000 (Secured) George W. Codrington Charitable Foundation - \$100,000 (Secured) William and Dorothy K. O’Neill Foundation - \$85,000 (Secured) Bruening Foundation - \$75,000 (Secured) Birth Center Equity - \$25,000 (Secured) Huntington Bank - \$20,000 (Secured) Loring, Wolcott & Coolidge Trust - \$10,000 (Secured) Cuyahoga County - \$10,000 (Secured)</p> <p>We are currently in a capital campaign and plan to raise additional funds through private philanthropy.</p>
<p>Total amount requested of County Council American Resource Act Dollars:</p> <p>\$10,000 is being requested of County Council American Resource Act dollars</p>
<p>Since these are one-time dollars, how will the Project be sustained moving forward:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Acceptance of Medicaid-insured clients 2) Private insurance 3) Childbirth and lactation classes available on a sliding scale 4) Pay model on a sliding scale

DISCLAIMER INFORMATION AND SIGNATURE:

Disclaimer:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have the authority to apply for financial assistance on behalf of the entity described herein, and that the information contained herein and attached hereto is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I acknowledge and agree that all County contracts and programs are subject to Federal Guidelines and Regulations, the Ohio Revised Code, the Cuyahoga County Charter, and all County Ordinances including all information submitted as part of this application is a public record.

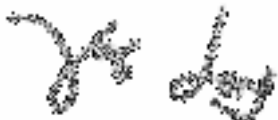
I understand that any willful misrepresentation on this application or on any of the attachments thereto could result in a fine and/or imprisonment under relevant local, state, and/or federal laws or guidelines.

I agree that at any time, any local, state, or federal governmental agency, or a private entity on behalf of any of these governmental agencies, can audit these dollars and projects.

Printed Name:

Jazmin Long

Signature:



Date:

6/17/24

Additional Documents

Are there additional documents or files as part of this application? Please list each documents name:

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2024-0249

Sponsored by: Councilmember Turner	A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$25,000, to the Spread the Love Foundation for the Interest 2 Income program from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County received \$239,898,257 from the Federal Government through the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”); and

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WHEREAS, since all the ARPA dollars have been calculated as loss revenue, the ARPA dollars have been deposited in the County’s General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive and County Council have authorized \$86 million of the ARPA dollars for community grants to benefit the residents of Cuyahoga County (the “ARPA Community Grant Fund”); and

WHEREAS, of the \$86 million for community grants, \$66 million have been encumbered for equal distribution to each County Council District; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide funding from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund in the amount of \$25,000 to the Spread the Love Foundation for the Interest 2 Income program; and

WHEREAS, the Spread the Love Foundation estimates approximately 30 to 45 people will be served annually through this award; and

WHEREAS, the Spread the Love Foundation estimates approximately 7 permanent and temporary jobs will be created or retained through this project; and

WHEREAS, the Spread the Love Foundation estimates the total cost of the project is \$130,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, the Spread the Love Foundation indicates the other funding source(s) for this project includes:

- A. \$50,000 from the City of Cleveland’s Neighborhood Safety Fund (Cleveland Foundation);
- B. \$45,000 from the Cleveland Community Police Commission (City of Cleveland);
- C. \$10,000 from the United Black Fund (pending); and

WHEREAS, the Spread the Love Foundation is estimating the start date of the project will be January 2024 and the project will be completed by December 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Spread the Love Foundation requested \$25,000 from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund to complete this project; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide funding in the amount of \$25,000 to the Spread the Love Foundation to ensure this project is completed; and

WHEREAS, this Council by a vote of at least eight (8) members determines that it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue to provide for the usually, daily operations of the County.

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SECTION 3. That the County Council staff is authorized to prepare all documents to effectuate said award.

SECTION 4. That the County Executive is authorized to execute all necessary agreements and documents consistent with said award and this Resolution.

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On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas:

Nays:

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: July 2, 2024

Committee(s) Assigned: Health, Human Services & Aging

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COUNTY AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION:	
Name of Requesting Entity (City, Business, Non-Profit, etc.): Spread the Love Foundation	
Address of Requesting Entity: 6815 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44103	
County Council District # of Requesting Entity: 9	
Address or Location of Project if Different than Requesting Entity: Cuyahoga County Juvenile Justice Center 9300 Quincy Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44106	
County Council District # of Address or Location of Project if Different than Requesting Entity: 9	
Contact Name of Person Filling out This Request: Ossie Mae Neal	
Contact Address if different than Requesting Entity: 	
Email: ossiema@spreadtheloveOH.com	Phone: (404) 731-0414
Federal IRS Tax Exempt No.: 86-2167788	Date: 06/24/2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

REQUEST DESCRIPTION (include the project name, a description of the project, why the project is important or needed, and timeline of milestones/tracking of the project):

Spread the Love Foundation has implemented our workforce development program Interest 2 Income (i2i) Music Production track for youth ages 13 to 17. The Interest 2 Income program launched in February 2024 at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Justice Center (CCJJC) for incarcerated youth. The 100-level course is designed to expose youth to the plethora of careers in the music production industry and teaches program participants about the basics of intellectual property rights and revenue (income) streams. The course also engages participants through professional industry guests speakers and introduction lab time in the music recording studio onsite at the CCJJC. The course is held twice per week for two (2) hours per class session and has a duration of a total of eight (8) weeks. To complete the course participants are required to have a total of at least 20 classroom hours. The first 100-level graduation was held on May 3, 2024. A total of seven (7) out of 17 participants received a certificate of completion, high school graduation credits and are eligible for the 200-level course. The Interest 2 Income Music Production 200-level course is the skills-building curriculum where participants receive training in the disciplines of Songwriting, Production (beat making) and Music Recording Engineering. Participants are instructed on how to use industry software and technology as well as industry insights to protecting their intellectual property and monetization processes. The 200-level course will be offered twice per week for 2 hours per class session for a total of eight (8) weeks. Participants are required to have a total of 35 hours of classroom and lab hours to complete the course. Upon completion of the 200-level Interest 2 Income Music Production course, participants will receive a certificate of completion that denotes training in their respective discipline of interest and credits towards high school graduation. Upon completion of the Interest 2 Income 100-level and 200-level course, participants are connected with partner organizations to continue skills development as well as apprenticeship placements for on-the-job training and potential job placements.

The project is needed because the youth of Cuyahoga county are in need of violence prevention and workforce development. According to the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas Juvenile Division's 2022 Annual Report: the Clerk's Office initiated 8,450 new juvenile cases, Probation Services reported 678 youth were active in investigations and 839 youth were on active probation, and the Detention Center had a daily average population of 139. The population in Secure Detention throughout 2022 was a total of 684:

- * Black: 595 (M: 492 F: 103) = 87%
- * White: 64 (M: 40 F: 21) = 9%
- * Hispanic: 16 (M:14 F: 2) = 2%
- * Asian: 0 (M: 0 F: 0) = 0%
- * Other: 9 (M: 7 F: 2) = 1%

Milestones of the Interest 2 Income program include program enrollment, certificate ceremonies at the completion of each course, course continuation, secondary connections for continued skills development and support. STLF will implement a robust monitoring and evaluation system to assess the impact and effectiveness of the Interest 2 Income programming. Key performance indicators (KPIs) will include participant satisfaction, skills development, number of participants, number and percentage of participants who complete each course level, internship placements, long-term career outcomes, continued education and training enrollments, incarceration and recidivism rates and community crime statistics. This data-driven approach will help STLF to identify areas of improvement, make necessary adjustments, and demonstrate the value and outcomes of our programs to potential funders. Additionally, Case Western Reserve University will assist Spread the Love Foundation in tracking the Interest 2 Income program for research purposes and to track participants outcomes, and the program's effectiveness over time. By showcasing the success and impact of our work, we can attract continued support and funding.

Project Start Date:

January 1, 2024

Project End Date:

December 31, 2024

IMPACT OF PROJECT:

Who will be served:

Youth residents (incarcerated) at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Detention Center

How many people will be served annually:

10 – 15 students per course cycle @ 3 courses for 2024 calendar year = 30 – 45 students

Will low/moderate income people be served; if so how:

Most youth at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Detention Center are from at-risk families of neighborhoods where more than 50% of residents live below the national poverty line.

How does the project fit with the community and with other ongoing projects:

Violence Prevention is one of the # 1 initiated throughout Cuyahoga County. The City of Cleveland, grant making organizations, education institutions and community grassroots organizations have recognized the need for more support and initiatives throughout communities. Workforce readiness and development is also an area of priority for Cuyahoga County youth, especially inner city neighborhoods like Glenville

If applicable, how many jobs will be created or retained (specify the number for each) and will the jobs be permanent or temporary:

6 jobs will be retained and 1 internship placement

If applicable, what environmental issues or benefits will there be:

N/A

If applicable, how does this project serve as a catalyst for future initiatives:

In Summer 2025, our plans include the launch of our i2i young adult program for ages 18-26 and is focused on developing those interests cultivated in our youth program into viable and sustainable career income. Our 6-month cohort, led by Krayzie Bone and his hand-picked staff of industry professionals, will give expert classroom instruction and hands-on work in the studio and in the field. These sessions will concentrate on various facets of the recording industry such as music recording, songwriting, video production, marketing and promotions, as well as copyrights, publishing and contracts.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**Total Budget of Project:**

\$130,000.00 annually

Other Funding Sources of Project (list each source and dollar amount separately):

- City of Cleveland's Neighborhood Safety Fund (Cleveland Foundation) \$50,000.00
- Cleveland Community Police Commission (City of Cleveland) \$45,000.00
- Pending: United Black Fund \$10,000.00

- Total: \$105,000.00

Total amount requested of County Council American Resource Act Dollars:

\$25,000.00

Since these are one-time dollars, how will the Project be sustained moving forward:

The Interest 2 Income program at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Detention Center will be sustained through ongoing fundraising efforts, partnership of Cuyahoga Community College and Spread the Love Foundation revenue income streams such as the launch of Cleveland's own destination music festival as well as music series concerts throughout the year.

DISCLAIMER INFORMATION AND SIGNATURE:

Disclaimer:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have the authority to apply for financial assistance on behalf of the entity described herein, and that the information contained herein and attached hereto is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I acknowledge and agree that all County contracts and programs are subject to Federal Guidelines and Regulations, the Ohio Revised Code, the Cuyahoga County Charter, and all County Ordinances including all information submitted as part of this application is a public record.

I understand that any willful misrepresentation on this application or on any of the attachments thereto could result in a fine and/or imprisonment under relevant local, state, and/or federal laws or guidelines.

I agree that at any time, any local, state, or federal governmental agency, or a private entity on behalf of any of these governmental agencies, can audit these dollars and projects.

Printed Name:

Ossie Mae Neal

Signature:



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Date:

06/24/2024

Additional Documents

Are there additional documents or files as part of this application? Please list each documents name:

1. Complete ARPA application
2. Complete Non-competitive Bid form - notarized.
3. Complete Independent Contractor form
4. Current W9
5. Letter of No Employee/Bureau of Worker's Compensation Certificate
6. Certificate of Liability Insurance – with minimum requirements
7. Registration with the County Inspector General's Office Confirmation

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