

Introduced by Council President White pursuant to Section 118.804, *Ordinance Code*, and at the request of the Public Service Grant Council and amended by the Finance Committee:

ORDINANCE 2025-225-E

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CATEGORIES OF MOST VULNERABLE PERSONS AND NEEDS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Public Service Grant Council met on February 10, 2025, to approve the fiscal year 2025-2026 categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs; a copy of the minutes of said meeting are attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, having considered the recommendation of the Public Service Grant Council, hereby establishes the categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs for the 2025-2026 fiscal year; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

Section 1. Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs Established. Pursuant to Section 118.804 (Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs), Part 8 (Public Service Grants), Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, the following categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs, as recommended by the Public Service Grant Council in the letter attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**, are hereby established for the 2025-2026 fiscal year:

2025-2026 Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs

1. Acute. The percentage of available funding allocated

to this category shall be 35%.

2. **Prevention and Diversion.** The percentage of available funding allocated to this category shall be 30%.

3. **Self-Sufficiency and Stability.** The percentage of available funding allocated to this category shall be 35%.

4. **Micro-Grant Program.** The percentage of available funding to this category shall be 0% of the Public Service Grant Council budgeted funds. It is anticipated that the funds for the Micro-Grant Program will be requested and appropriated separately from the normal Public Service Grant Council award/budget process.

Detailed definitions of each of the categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs are set forth in **Exhibit 3**.

Section 2. Public Service Grants to Serve Categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs. Public Service Grants made by City Council shall be used to exclusively serve the categories of Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs. Where a category contains more funding than applied for, the excess funding for that population may be applied to another category that contains less funding than applied for. Where more than one category has fewer funds than applied for, the excess funding shall be divided among the underfunded categories on a percentage basis where the total amount underfunded in all underfunded categories is the denominator and the amount underfunded in any one category is the numerator.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

Form Approved:

/s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

Office of General Counsel

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