

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor and
2 Co-Sponsored by Council Member Clark-Murray and amended by the
3 Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and Safety
4 Committee:

7 **ORDINANCE 2023-188-E**

8 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A \$2,000,000 GRANT
9 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
10 OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS, FOR THE MAYOR'S
11 VIOLENCE REDUCTION CENTER ("MVRC") COMMUNITY-
12 BASED VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION
13 INITIATIVE ("CVIPI"), AS INITIATED BY B.T. 23-
14 043; AUTHORIZING POSITIONS, AS INITIATED BY R.C.
15 23-095; PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS
16 AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION; PROVIDING AN
17 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

20 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2022-2023 fiscal year,
21 within the City's budget, there is hereby appropriated the indicated
22 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)
23 listed in subsection (b):

24 (B.T. 23-043, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein
25 by this reference)

26 (a) Appropriated from:

27 See B.T. 23-043 \$2,000,000

28 (b) Appropriated to:

29 See B.T. 23-043 \$2,000,000

30 (c) Explanation of Appropriation:

31 The funding above represents a grant in the amount of

1 \$2,000,000 from the United States Department of Justice,
2 Bureau of Justice Assistance, to support the Mayor's
3 Violence Reduction Center ("MVRC") Community-Based
4 Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative ("CVIPI")
5 for the purpose of crime prevention and intervention and
6 improving public safety in Duval County. No local match
7 is required. The grant period commenced on October 1, 2022
8 and continues through September 30, 2025, with opportunity
9 for a no cost extension by the grantor.

10 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in
11 Section 1 is to fund several positions within the Grants and Contract
12 Compliance Division to support the MVRC CVIPI and to procure
13 contractual services for the MVRC CVIPI as more specifically described
14 herein. Programs funded by this grant serve to interrupt the
15 transmission of violence in communities most affected by violent
16 crime. The City will utilize the grant funds to align intervention
17 activities in a community that has documented a large number of
18 homicides and whose members have been historically underserved,
19 marginalized, and adversely affected by inequality. In addition, the
20 MVRC CVIPI is designed to align community violence intervention assets
21 at a central hub, increasing protective factors and reducing shootings
22 in one of the deadliest communities in the country.

23 The MVRC CVIPI will also serve to expand and enhance the City's
24 current violent crime intervention strategy, Cure Violence. This
25 federal grant funding will unify the three existing Cure Violence
26 Jacksonville sites and other community-wide violence intervention
27 efforts at the MVRC. This effort will also link individual victims
28 of transgenerational violence with assessments, referrals for
29 wraparound services, education, workforce training and placement, and
30 follow-up services for up to one year. Participants will learn
31 family-sustaining lifestyles and vocational skills. Copies of the

1 Grant Award Letter (Award Number 15PBJA-22-GG-04710-CVIP), Award
2 Conditions, and Budget Narrative outlining the terms and conditions
3 and uses of the grant funds are attached hereto as **Exhibit 2** and
4 incorporated herein by this reference.

5 **Section 3. Approval of Positions.** There are hereby
6 approved the positions more fully described in R.C. 23-095, attached
7 hereto as **Exhibit 3** and incorporated herein by this reference.

8 **Section 4. Oversight Department.** The Grants and Contract
9 Compliance Division shall oversee administration of the grant and
10 program described herein.

11 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
12 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
13 without the Mayor's signature.

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15 Form Approved:

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17 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

18 Office of General Counsel

19 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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