

CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: 2021-213

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Salem

Date of Introduction: April 13, 2021

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, R

Date of Analysis: April 14, 2021

Type of Action: Appropriation, agreement authorization, Ordinance Code exception and designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$5,000 from private donations within the Opioid Abuse Program Trust Fund to the Jump Start Program administered by NE Florida Sober Living Alliance, Inc. The agreement between the City and NE Florida Sober Living Alliance, Inc. is authorized and the exception to Section 126.107(g), *Ordinance Code* is invoked to procure the use of the professional services of NE Florida Sober Living Alliance. The Office of Grants and Contract Compliance will oversee the project.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds for the Jump Start program, to offer a stopgap measure of daily living assistance/ housing vouchers to individuals suffering from opioid dependence or addiction – many of whom face financial barriers to entering sober living due to disrupted income. The cost per voucher is \$27 and these funds are estimated to assist 37 individuals (an average of five eligible residents will be identified each month and each will need, on average, five nights of assistance. In this scenario, the funding would last just under seven and a half months). The NE FL Sober Living Alliance will provide the following “in-kind” donations to the program: • Food boxes for up to 37 Jump Start Residents at \$50/box = \$1,850 • Hygiene kits for up to 37 Jump Start Residents at \$30/kit = \$1,110 • Private donations as of 3/29/21 = \$108 (covers an additional 4 nightly vouchers).

Policy Impact Area: Opioid Abuse Program Trust Fund

Fiscal Impact: Appropriation of \$5,000 within the Opioid Abuse Program Trust Fund

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