

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-987

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Howland

Date of Introduction: December 10, 2024

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

Date of Analysis: December 6, 2024

Type of Action: Appropriation

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund Operating Designated Contingency Account to the General Fund Operating Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organization account. The funding provides a grant to United Way of Northeast Florida, Inc. (UWNEFL) for the Mission United Program, which offers concierge support to military veterans and their families in Duval County by navigating federal, state, and local services. The funds will cover operational expenses such as salaries, benefits, and occupancy costs. The bill invokes the exemption in Section 126.108(g) of the Procurement Code and waives Section 118.107 of the City Grants Ordinance Code to allow a direct contract with UWNEFL.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to support the Mission United Program administered by the United Way of Northeast Florida, Inc. This program helps military veterans and their families overcome barriers to accessing services, ensuring they receive necessary support. City funds will be used for salaries of program staff and operational expenses for the program's operation in Duval County.

Policy Impact Area: Veteran support

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund Operating Designated Contingency Account.

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