

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2023-862

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Arias

**Date of Introduction:** December 12, 2023

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

**Date of Analysis:** December 11, 2023

**Type of Action:** Appropriation, *Ordinance Code* exemption and waiver, agreement authorization and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill is an appropriation of \$70,000 from a Designated Contingency account to the Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations account to provide funding to The Human Collective Foundation, Inc. The Exemption in Section 126.107(g), *Ordinance Code* is invoked to permit direct procurement of professional services, and Section 118.107, *Ordinance Code* is waived to provide funding without a competitive award process. The agreement between the City and the Human Collective Foundation, Inc. is authorized. The Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance and Administration Department will provide oversight.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds for two public events to raise awareness regarding mental health and human trafficking while also providing training and showing appreciation for social workers placed in Duval County schools. The Social Worker Appreciation and Mental Health Awareness event (\$35,000) will entail providing workshops and training opportunities for social workers and mental health professionals working with youth in Duval County. The second event will be a human trafficking awareness event (\$35,000), to focus on raising awareness of human trafficking, including educating the attendees on recognizing the signs of human trafficking and the necessary steps to prevent it. The Human Collective Foundation, Inc. is a local nonprofit, and they estimate serving a range of 300-500 residents directly, with an additional 2500-5000 people impacted through the ripple effect of the awareness campaigns. The funds will be used to hire an event management company responsible for coordinating all logistical aspects, including venue selection, marketing materials, tables, chairs, linens, and sound production.

**Policy Impact Area:** The Human Collective Awareness Program regarding social worker appreciation, mental health and human trafficking

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$70,000 from a Designated Contingency account

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