CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-680

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Amaro

Date of Introduction: September 9, 2025

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

Date of Analysis: September 5, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation; waiver of ordinance code; one cycle emergency passage

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$24,750 from the Special Council Contingency account to the Revitalize Arlington – Subsidies and Contributions to Private Org account to provide funding to Revitalize Arlington, Inc. (RA, Inc.) for the Woodland Acres Money Smart Program. The bill authorizes execution of an agreement between the City and RA, Inc., provides for carryover of funds to Fiscal Year 2025-2026, waives Section 118.107 of the Ordinance Code to allow for a direct contract, assigns oversight to the Grants and Contracts Compliance Division of the Finance Department, and requests one cycle emergency passage.

Background Information: The purpose of this legislation is to provide funding to Revitalize Arlington, Inc. in the amount of \$24,750 for the Woodland Acres Money Smart Program. The program will offer evening and weekend financial literacy workshops and one-on-one financial coaching to residents of the Woodland Acres neighborhood. Program topics will include understanding income, creating and maintaining a household budget, reducing debt and managing credit, building emergency savings, protecting against fraud, and setting both short- and long-term financial goals. The funds will be used to hire at least two financial literacy coaches and to purchase workbooks and curriculum materials in both English and Spanish. Additional funds will be used for facilitator training, participant recognition, advertising and promotion, and transportation assistance such as gas cards and bus passes. A waiver of Section 118.107 is included to allow for a direct contract with Revitalize Arlington, Inc., justified by the organization's strong presence in the Woodland Acres community and its tailored program for local residents.

Policy Impact Area: Financial literacy

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$24,750 from the Special Council Contingency account to the Revitalize Arlington – Subsidies and Contributions to Private Org account to provide funding to Revitalize Arlington, Inc.

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