

1 Introduced by Council President Salem:  
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4 **ORDINANCE 2023-608**

5 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$300,000.00 FROM  
6 GENERAL FUND/GSD OPERATING RESERVES TO SUBSIDIES  
7 AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS FOR  
8 A GRANT TO CLARA WHITE MISSION, INC., FOR THE  
9 WHITE HARVEST FARMS CULINARY VOCATIONAL TRAINING  
10 PROGRAM; APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR,  
11 OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATION SECRETARY  
12 TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, A  
13 CITY GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF  
14 JACKSONVILLE AND CLARA WHITE MISSION, INC.;  
15 INVOKING THE EXEMPTION IN SECTION 126.107(G)  
16 (EXEMPTIONS), PART 1 (GENERAL REGULATIONS),  
17 CHAPTER 126 (PROCUREMENT CODE), *ORDINANCE CODE*;  
18 WAIVING SECTION 118.107 (NONPROFITS TO RECEIVE  
19 FUNDING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE EVALUATED AWARD  
20 PROCESS), PART 1 (GENERAL PROVISIONS), CHAPTER  
21 118 (CITY GRANTS), *ORDINANCE CODE*, TO ALLOW A  
22 DIRECT CONTRACT WITH CLARA WHITE MISSION, INC.;  
23 REQUESTING ONE CYCLE EMERGENCY PASSAGE;  
24 PROVIDING FOR OVERSIGHT BY THE GRANTS AND  
25 CONTRACT COMPLIANCE DIVISION; PROVIDING AN  
26 EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

29 **Section 1. Appropriation.** For the 2023-2024 fiscal year,  
30 within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the indicated  
31 sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s)

1 listed in subsection (b):

2 (The account information is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and  
3 incorporated herein by this reference)

4 (a) Appropriated from:

5 See **Exhibit 1** \$300,000.00

6 (b) Appropriated to:

7 See **Exhibit 1** \$300,000.00

8 (c) Explanation of Appropriation - The appropriation above is  
9 a transfer of funding from General Fund/GSD Operating  
10 Reserves to provide funding to Clara White Mission, Inc.,  
11 in support of its White Harvest Farms culinary vocational  
12 training program.

13 **Section 2. Purpose.** The purpose of the appropriation in  
14 Section 1 above is to provide funding from the City of Jacksonville  
15 to Clara White Mission, Inc., for its White Harvest Farms culinary  
16 vocational training program. This program will provide education and  
17 training in culinary arts, food production and service, and  
18 agriculture, targeting low-income residents in north Jacksonville,  
19 individuals residing in food deserts, and homeless veterans.  
20 Individuals served through this program will also receive supportive  
21 services including case management, job readiness preparation, and  
22 job placement.

23 **Section 3. Approval and Authorization to Execute.** There is  
24 hereby approved, and the Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation  
25 Secretary are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a grant  
26 agreement, including amendments thereto, in accordance with Chapter  
27 118, Parts 1-5, *Ordinance Code*, with Clara White Mission, Inc., in a  
28 not-to-exceed amount of \$300,000.00 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year to  
29 be used for operation of the White Harvest Farms program, subject to  
30 the terms, scope and conditions more fully described in **Exhibit 2**,  
31 attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

1           **Section 4.           Invoking the Exemption in 126.107(g), Ordinance**  
2 **Code.** The City is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement  
3 with Clara White Mission, Inc., to provide funding for operation of  
4 the White Harvest Farms program. Pursuant to Section 126.107(g)  
5 (Exemptions), Part 1 (General Regulations), Chapter 126 (Procurement  
6 Code), *Ordinance Code*, such procurement is exempted from solicitation  
7 because the supplies or services are to be provided by those  
8 specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that  
9 appropriates the same. With the exception of the foregoing, all other  
10 provisions of Chapter 126, *Ordinance Code*, shall remain in full force  
11 and effect.

12           **Section 5.           Waiver of Section 118.107, Ordinance Code.** The  
13 provisions of Section 118.107 (Nonprofits to receive funding through  
14 a competitive evaluated award process), Part 1 (General Provisions),  
15 Chapter 118 (City Grants), *Ordinance Code*, are hereby waived to allow  
16 for a direct contract with Clara White Mission, Inc. The City finds  
17 that this is a justified direct contract because Clara White Mission,  
18 Inc.'s, White Harvest Farms culinary vocational training program will  
19 provide culinary and agricultural training to members of the community  
20 with a goal to increase food sovereignty and security among  
21 Jacksonville's most vulnerable populations.

22           **Section 6.           Requesting One Cycle Emergency Passage Pursuant**  
23 **to Council Rule 4.901 Emergency.** One cycle emergency passage of this  
24 legislation is requested. The nature of the emergency is that this  
25 funding was recommended by Council Members Howland, White, Arias,  
26 Carrico, and Gaffney, Jr., during the August 25, 2023, budget meeting  
27 of the Finance Committee. This funding was not included in the  
28 amendments to Ordinance 2023-504 due to a conflict of interest that  
29 would arise for a Council Member. Emergency action is requested so  
30 that this legislation can be taken up in conjunction with Ordinance  
31 2023-504 and approved as part of the City's budget package.

1           **Section 7.           Oversight Department.** The Grants and Contract  
2 Compliance Division within the Department of Finance and  
3 Administration shall oversee the project described herein.

4           **Section 8.           Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
5 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
6 without the Mayor's signature.

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8 Form Approved:

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10           /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos          

11 Office of General Counsel

12 Legislation Prepared By: Mary E. Staffopoulos

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