

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2025-0468

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

**Date of Introduction:** June 24, 2025

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

**Date of Analysis:** June 23, 2025

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; provide a carryover; amend prior approved budget; waive certain requirements of Section 77.111, *Ordinance Code*; approve and authorize to execute; designate oversight department.

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$10,000 from the Special Council Contingency account for 24-25 Council Strategic Plan to the Kid's Hope Alliance (KHA) to provide a grant to Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, Inc, for the Community Development Troops program with carryover to FY 25-26. The bill also amends the Sixth Revised Schedule M of the budget approved by Ordinance 2024-511-E and waives certain requirements of Section 77.111, *Ordinance Code*, to exempt the services provided by the Girl Scouts from competitive procurement. The bill authorizes and approves the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement between the City or KHA and Girl Scouts of Gateway Council for the program. It designates KHA as the oversight department.

**Background Information:** The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding to the Girl Scouts for their Community Development Troops program. The program seeks to ensure equitable access to the various activities offered through Girl Scouts to young women throughout Duval County. It has proven to be important, especially for girls from low-income households and underserved communities. The program supports troops by removing barriers such as cost, transportation, and the availability of volunteer leaders. The program troop meetings are held in accessible locations, including Title I schools, community centers, and housing communities, and are led by trained facilitators of Girl Scouts staff. Girls participating in the program receive free membership, uniforms, program supplies, and transportation assistance when needed. City funds will be used to offset costs for the program.

**Policy Impact Area:** Community services, youth development

**Fiscal Impact:** This bill appropriates \$10,000 from the Special Council Contingency account

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