

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-694

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Amaro

Date of Introduction: August 27, 2024

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

Date of Analysis: August 29, 2024

Type of Action: Appropriation; fiscal year carry-over authorization; reverter requirement; invocation of Procurement Code direct contracting provision; Ordinance Code waiver; authorization to execute grant agreement; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$15,000 from the Council President's Designated Contingency to the General Fund – General Services District Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations account to provide a grant to Revitalize Arlington, Inc. for the Engage Arlington Program. It authorizes the grant funds to carry-over to FY24-25 and provides that any funds remaining after the completion of the project shall be returned to the account of origin by January 31, 2025. The bill invokes the Procurement Code's direct contracting exemption in Sec. 126.108(g) to permit a direct contract with Revitalize Arlington, Inc. and waives the provision of the City Grants chapter requiring competitive procurement. The mayor is authorized to execute a grant agreement with the organization reflecting the term sheet and budget attached to the bill. The Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department is designated as the City's oversight agency for the grant.

Background Information: Revitalize Arlington intends to introduce a healthy food and nutrition service as a new initiative as part of this program. In addition, the program will focus on highlighting non-profits, job training, community education, family and human services, housing, and nutrition through targeted, intentional education, coaching and outreach. Funds will be used for operational costs of the Program as outlined on the attached Program budget sheet. Payment shall be made on a cost reimbursement basis upon delivery of the required elements: 1) development of healthy eating and family nutrition coaching and meal-kits for 36 to 40 residents for up to 3 months at a cost of \$333 per resident (\$12,000); and 2) contracting with a facilitator to provide two resident workforce and financial literacy education events (\$3,000).

Policy Impact Area: Arlington-area revitalization

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$15,000 from the Council President's Designated Contingency.

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