

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** 2022-119

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council President at the request of the Mayor

**Date of Introduction:** February 22, 2022

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

**Date of Analysis:** February 23, 2022

**Type of Action:** Appropriation and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill is an appropriation of \$105,000 of grant funds from the Community Foundation of Northeast Florida to provide certain services to Teen Court program. The funds will not lapse but will carryover to FY 2024-2025. The Court Administration, Director of Teen Courts, will provide oversight of the grant and also be responsible to provide grant activity reports to the Community Foundation of Northeast Florida.

**Background Information:** Teen Court is a pre-arrest diversion program designed for eligible misdemeanor offenders between the ages of 10-17, that gives the opportunity to accept responsibility/make reparation through the use of therapeutic interventions, written assignments and community service. The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds to cover the gap in funding for critical services - mental health, life skills coaching, and drug treatment - for Teen Court program participants. This is a three-year grant at \$35,000 per year for a total grant amount of \$105,000. The funds were provided by a private donor through the Community Foundation of NE Florida.

**Policy Impact Area:** Teen Court program

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$105,000 as initiated by B.T. 22-047, no City match required

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