

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2024-839

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

**Date of Introduction:** October 22, 2024

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

**Date of Analysis:** October 22, 2024

**Type of Action:** Appropriation, *Ordinance Code* exemption and waivers, agreement authorization and designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** This bill is an appropriation of \$500,000 from a Designated Special Council Contingency to the General Fund Operating, Miscellaneous Grants and Aids account, to provide a grant to The Boselli Foundation, Inc. The Exemption in Section 126.108(g), *Ordinance Code* is invoked to authorize directly procured professional services. Section 118.107, *Ordinance Code* is waived to permit a direct contract; Section 110.112, *Ordinance Code* is waived to permit an advanced payment (up to \$125,000). The grant agreement between the City and the Boselli Foundation is authorized. The Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department will provide oversight.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this legislation is to provide funds to the Boselli Foundation for the Fellowship Program and Mentoring Program. The fellowship program will provide K-12 teachers with professional learning opportunities to cultivate skills in the areas of student-centered teaching and effective instructional practices. The 1-year fellowship program is open to teachers with a minimum of 2 years of experience who serve students in Jacksonville's highest areas of need. The fellowship Program will impact 4,500 students and 45 teachers at 28 schools for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. The mentoring program is designed to encourage young men to become functional leaders through empowerment, story work and mentorship. The mentoring program will directly serve 8 cohorts for a total of 175 youth at four detention centers and local jails.

The appropriated funds will support various administrative costs to operate the Programs, such as client education, the salary and benefits for an Executive Director, Director of Operations and Administrative Assistant, occupancy expenses, various office expenses, and travel. The grant term is October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025

**Policy Impact Area:** Boselli Foundation – Teaching Fellowship and Mentoring programs

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$500,000

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