

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2024-877

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

**Date of Introduction:** November 12, 2024

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

**Date of Analysis:** November 14, 2024

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; invocation of Procurement Code exemption; Ordinance Code waiver; designation of oversight agency

**Bill Summary:** The ordinance appropriates \$76,180 from a General Fund Operating Contingency account to the General Fund Operating, Subsidies and Contributions to Private Organizations account, to provide a grant to Safe Future Foundation Inc. ("Safe Future") for the Nourishing Communities – Food Pantry, Diaper, and Feminine Product Support Initiative. It invokes the Procurement Code exemption in Section 126.108(g) and waives provisions of Code Section 118.107 - Nonprofits to receive funding through a competitive evaluated award process - to permit the contract to be directly awarded outside of a competitive procurement process. The Grants and Contract Compliance Division of the Finance Department is designated as the City's oversight agency for the contract.

**Background Information:** This funding allocation was approved in the FY24-25 budget and the funds placed "below the line" pending development of a term sheet and grant agreement, which have been completed. The Nourishing Communities – Food Pantry, Diaper, and Feminine Product Support Initiative was created, in part, to serve women, children, seniors and low-income individuals, with a special emphasis on expectant mothers. Some of the primary objectives of the Program include enhancing food security, improving dietary intake, and providing nutrition education to those served by the Program. In addition, the Program was designed to alleviate the financial burden on individuals and families by providing diapers and various hygiene supplies for low-income women and girls. The City funds will be used to pay a portion of the salaries for a Program Manager, Director and Volunteer Coordinator to administer the Program. In addition, a portion of the City grant will be used for food purchases, distribution and mobile pantry maintenance as well as to purchase diapers and personal hygiene products for female clients served by the Program.

**Policy Impact Area:** Assistance with essential living needs

**Fiscal Impact:** The ordinance appropriates \$76,180 from a General Fund Operating Contingency account.

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