

May 19, 2021

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council 202101887

**From:** Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – FY 2021 Police Reform and Racial Justice Grant Program**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$175,000 from the United States Conference of Mayors and the Target Corporation, FY21 Police Reform and Racial Justice Grant Program, for the purpose of assisting with expansion of existing Mobile Crisis Response Services for the Cincinnati Police Department; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into revenue account no. 050x8579.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant for up to the amount of \$175,000 in FY21 Police Reform and Racial Justice Grant Program funds from the United States Conference of Mayors and the Target Corporation for assistance with expansion of current mental health response efforts.

The grant funds would be used to fund a contract position in partnership with Hamilton County, for which a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) would be established. This Emergency Ordinance should also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into revenue account no. 050x8579.

This Emergency Ordinance is in accordance with the Live goal to “Create a more livable community” as described on page 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the need to ensure timely acceptance of grant funds.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager  
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

