



**EMERGENCY**

**City of Cincinnati**

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**An Ordinance No. 396**

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Police Department to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, entertainment industries, and other available sources for the Victims Assistance Liaison Unit/Cincinnati Citizens Respect Our Witnesses to provide food and gift cards to the surviving families of homicide victims during the upcoming holiday season; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit funds donated to the City of Cincinnati into Public Safety Special Projects Fund 456.

WHEREAS, the Victims Assistance Liaison Unit/Cincinnati Citizens Respect Our Witnesses ("VALU/CCROW") offers support and resources to the surviving families of homicide victims, helping them to navigate emotional and practical challenges; and

WHEREAS, VALU/CCROW will provide resources for holiday meals to promote peace and comfort for the families during the upcoming winter holiday season; and

WHEREAS, donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, entertainment industries, and other available sources will be used to provide food and gift cards for holiday meals for the families supported by VALU/CCROW; and

WHEREAS, providing holiday meals to the families supported by VALU/CCROW is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "[c]reate a more livable community" as described on pages 156-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

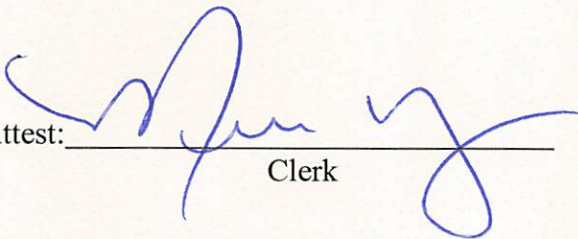
Section 1. That the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Police Department are authorized to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, entertainment industries, and other available sources for the Victims Assistance Liaison Unit/Cincinnati Citizens Respect Our Witnesses to provide food and gift cards to the surviving families of homicide victims during the upcoming holiday season.

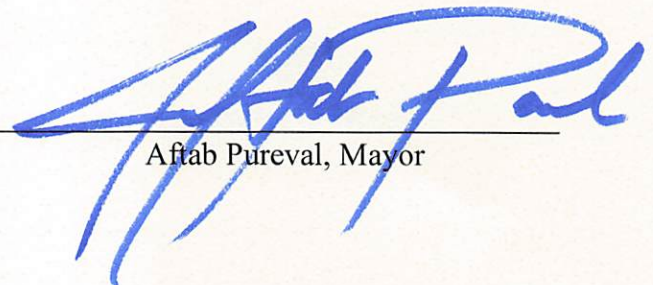
Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit any donated funds into Public Safety Special Projects Fund 456.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to comply with the terms of Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to solicit and accept donations for the winter holiday season.

Passed: November 20, 2024

Attest:   
Clerk

  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO 396-2024  
WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 11/23/2024  
Melissa Antley  
CLERK OF COUNCIL