

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMMUNITY  
PRIORITY FUND VIOLENCE INTERVENTION ALLOCATION IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$1,650,000

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 6 , 2022

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County government has received \$71,402,185 from the American Rescue Plan. The first half of the funding, \$35,701,109, was received in May 2021. The second half was received in June 2022; and

WHEREAS, In July 2021, per Resolution #21-115, the Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution committing that all American Rescue Plan dollars shall be obligated by resolution to ensure transparency and;

WHEREAS, in September of 2021, the Board of Commissioners passed the first allocation of ARPA- related investments in the amount of \$30,532,142 to address access to childcare, develop and launch childhood savings accounts, fund broadband access and affordability throughout the county and expand capacity for the county's weatherization program; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of ARPA 1.0, the Board of Commissioners and Washtenaw County held a series of listening sessions in the 48197 and 48198 zip codes to better understand the needs of residents, who overwhelmingly supported targeted investment in youth, seniors, violence intervention, and agencies addressing those individuals and priority areas: and

WHEREAS, In March 2022 via unanimous vote, the Board of Commissioners passed Resolution #22-030, a resolution to encourage generational success and invest in our community's health and wellbeing through a series of targeted investments in under-resourced communities as part of the Washtenaw County Rescue Plan and allocated up to \$11,299,007 in ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, based on feedback from listening sessions, the Community Priority Fund (CPF), an investment totaling \$8M, was approved in the ARPA 2.0 package and launched in March of 2022 with the strategic goals of increasing equitable, community-informed allocations of ARPA funding and supporting full, ecosystem development for organizations who have not been previously eligible to contract with Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, the CPF was designed to center community-informed decision making by establishing a commissioner appointed Community Review Body; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners allocated \$7.2M for disbursement to programs and initiatives submitted through the CPF process and \$800,000 to establish the data collection and evaluation processes necessary to conform to federal ARPA reporting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the process for application submission, review and funding of CPF proposals is as follows: application, staff vetting, advisory body review and recommendation, administrator review and preparation of recommendation; board of commissioners vote to accept the recommendation, operationalization; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the funding recommendations coming from the County Administrator in the Community Violence Interventions category of the Community Priority Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Administrator to sign delegate contracts with the entities and in the amounts identified below, in conformity with their applications to the Community Priority Fund process and with American Rescue Plan Act guidelines, upon review of Corporation Counsel, to be filed with the County Clerk.

<b>Proposal Name</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Request Amount</b>
A Brighter Way	Full Funding	\$250,000
Supreme Felons Inc	Full Funding	\$1,200,000
The Dispute Resolution Center	Full Funding	\$200,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts be non-structural and funded with the \$2,000,000 allocated to the Community Violence Interventions category of the Community Priority Fund allocation of the County's second American Rescue Plan Act funding obligation.