

**Columbus Consolidated Government**

**Council Meeting**

**8/8/2023**

**Agenda Report # \_\_\_\_**

**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**SUBJECT:** The Focus Program  
**INITIATED BY:** Columbus Office of Crime Prevention

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**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to enter into a one-year contract with The Focus Program to award funding for Crime Prevention initiatives.

**Background:** Columbus Office of Crime Prevention has agreed to recommend the funding of \$30,000.00 to The Focus Program to run a mentoring and tutoring program that will work with juveniles within Muscogee County.

**Analysis:** The Focus Program will work to identify and re-direct young people away from potential delinquent or dangerous behaviors. This untreated behavior normally results in expulsion or incarceration.

**Financial Considerations:** These funds are appropriated from the Other Local Option Sales Tax, Crime Prevention Program and do not require a match.

**Recommendations/ Actions:** Approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to enter a one-year contract with The Focus Program to provide funding for mentoring and tutoring to juveniles of Muscogee County.

**RESOLUTION**

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE FOCUS PROGRAM FOR \$30,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE MENTORING PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Focus Program has the mentoring Program to impact the lives of at-risk juveniles and,

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Office of Crime Prevention has authorized funding under the Crime Prevention Program for this project in the amount of \$30,000.00 to The Focus Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a one-year contract through the Columbus Office of Crime Prevention with The Focus Program for \$30,000.00 for funding the mentoring program. Funds are budgeted in the FY24 budget: Other Local Option Sales Tax, Crime Prevention Program.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen                    voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Barnes                voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Begly                   voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Cogle                   voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Crabb                  voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Davis                  voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Garrett                voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Huff                    voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Thomas                voting \_\_\_\_\_
- Councilor Tucker                voting \_\_\_\_\_

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**Sandra T. Davis**  
Clerk of Council

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**B. H. "Skip" Henderson, III**  
Mayor