



AGENDA ACTION FORM

Consideration of a Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Branch House – Family Justice Center

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen
From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *CM*

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Strategic Focus Area: 6. Strong & Vibrant Neighborhoods

Recommendation:

Approve the Resolution

Executive Summary:

The accompanying resolution approves a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Branch House – Family Justice Center which is a requirement for Branch House to maintain grant funding from the Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs.

Branch House coordinates free services and resources to meet the immediate and long-term needs of survivors of abuse. These services include timely access to trauma-informed advocacy, forensic medical services, safety planning and system navigation. Branch House collaborates with the city so that individuals impacted by interpersonal violence receive needed services.

In order for Branch House to continue to receive grant funding from the Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs it must formally enter into agreements which memorialize the collaboration with local governments. The MOU submitted for approval simply documents those actions which Branch House and the city currently perform. The MOU does not obligate the city to provide financial support.

Attachments:

- 1. Resolution

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Baker	—	—	—
Cooper	—	—	—
Duncan	—	—	—
George	—	—	—
Mayes	—	—	—
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