

ORDINANCE NO. 2696

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF MAYORS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING POLICE REFORM AND RACIAL JUSTICE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000, AND TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT FUND TO APPROPRIATE THESE FUNDS SO THAT THEY MAY BE APPLIED TO THE SALISBURY POLICE MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP.

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Police Department has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$75,000 from the United States Conference of Mayors and Target Corporation, to be applied to salary support of a collaboration between mental health professionals and the Salisbury Police Department; and

WHEREAS, mental health professionals from within the community and the Salisbury Police Department will train together to develop best practices for a co-responder model with regard to service calls involving persons appearing to be mentally ill, substance abusers, and/or homeless; and

WHEREAS, the goal of training and developing a co-responder model is for the mental health professionals and the Salisbury Police Department to better understand each other's role while providing the best assistance to the public at large; and

WHEREAS, the above described collaboration and development of a co-responder model will lessen the possibility for negative police encounters as well as lessen the possibility of injuries to members of the public, law enforcement, mental health professionals and other responders; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Police Department shall utilize all grant funds for salary support for both mental health professionals and the Salisbury Police Department; and

WHEREAS, § 7-29 of the Salisbury City Charter prohibits the City from entering into a contract that requires an expenditure not appropriated or authorized by the Council of the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this grant must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 1. Mayor Jacob R. Day is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Conference of Mayors, on behalf of the City of Salisbury, for the City's acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$75,000.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 2. The City of Salisbury's Grant Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

- (a)** Increase U.S. Conference of Mayors Revenue Account No. 10500-XXXXXX-XXXXX by \$75,000.
- (b)** Increase Operating Expense Account No. 10500-546006-XXXXX by \$75,000.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 3. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

Section 4. It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

Section 5. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 5.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 22nd day of November, 2021 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of Salisbury on the 13th day of December, 2021.

ATTEST:



Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk



John R. Heath, City Council President

Approved by me, this 14 day of December, 2021.



Jacob R. Day, Mayor



City of
Salisbury
Jacob R. Day, Mayor

November 3, 2021

TO: Julia Glanz
FROM: Colonel David Meienschein
SUBJECT: Ordinance – Target Grant

Attached, please find an ordinance to authorize the Salisbury Police Department to accept funds the United States Conference of Mayors & Target Corporation in the amount of \$75,000 for salary support for mental health professionals and the Salisbury Police Department for collaboration from The United States Congress & Mayors & Target Corporation.

Unless you or the Mayor has further questions, please forward this Resolution to the City Council.

David Meienschein
Assistant Chief of Police