## **ORDINANCE NO. 2727**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE WICOMICO COUNTY LOCAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (COVID RELIEF) BLOCK GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,562 AND TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT FUND TO APPROPRIATE THESE FUNDS FOR THE HOMELESS SERVICES CASE SPECIALIST POSITION.

WHEREAS, Critical Time Intervention ("CTI") is a time-limited evidence-based practice model designed to mobilize support for vulnerable individuals during periods of transition, including individuals transitioning from homelessness to permanent supportive housing; and

WHEREAS, the Wicomico County Health Department received funding from the Behavioral Health Administration for the Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services (COVID Relief) specific to the delivery of CTI services; and

WHEREAS, the Wicomico County Local Behavioral Health Authority ("Wicomico County LBHA") has awarded the City of Salisbury (the "City") a Block Grant for Community Mental Health Services in the amount of \$12,562 (the "CTI Funds"); and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Homeless Services Case Specialist position will use CTI principles to assist individuals who are transitioning from homelessness to permanent supportive housing; and

**WHEREAS,** a permissible use of the CTI Funds is to (partially) cover the salary costs of the Homeless Services Case Specialist; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to accept the CTI Funds, the City must enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("**MOU**") with the Wicomico County LBHA to define the permitted expenditure, and conditions related thereto, of the CTI Funds; 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:

<u>Section 1</u>. Mayor Jacob R. Day is hereby authorized to enter into a MOU with the Wicomico County LBHA, on behalf of the City of Salisbury, for the City's acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$12,562.

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 MHBG SAMSHA Revenue Account No. 10530–425XXX–XXXXX by \$12,562.
- (b) Increase Salaries-Non-Clerical Expense Account No. 10530-501002-XXXXX by \$12,562.

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

<u>Section 3</u>. 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.

<u>Section 4.</u> 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.

<u>Section 5</u>. 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2022.

ATTEST:

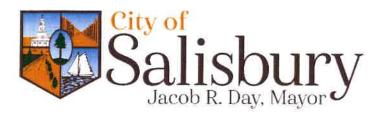
Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk

John R. Heath, City Council President

Approved by me, this 25 day of May , 2022.

Julia Glanz, City Administrator, for and at the direction of Jacob R. Day,

Mayor



## **MEMO**

To: Julia Glanz-City Administrator, Ron Strickler-Director HCDD

From: Christine Chestnutt-Housing & Homelessness Mgr.

Subject: Ordinance – Budget Amendment – Acceptance / Appropriation of

Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CIT) Funding

Date: April 27, 2022

The City of Salisbury has received an award of FY22 Community Mental Health Services Block Grant Funds (Critical Time Intervention or CTI) funding from SAMSHA passed through the Wicomico County Local Behavioral Health Authority.

Attached is an Ordinance approving a budget amendment of the City's Grant Fund to appropriate \$12,562.00 in FY22 CTI funds that have been awarded to the City of Salisbury. These funds will be utilized to partially pay for the Homeless Services Case Specialist.

Please forward this information to the City Council to be placed on their agenda for the May 2, 2022 work session, the May 9, 2022 legislative meeting, and second reading / final passage at the May 23, 2022 legislative meeting. Thank you for your assistance.

Christine Chestnutt

Housing & Homelessness Manager

**HCDD** 

Attachments CC: Olga Butar Kim Nichols