

City of New Haven

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Legislation Text

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ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS, 2022 COMMUNITY BASED VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION INITIATIVE, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 TO EXPAND AND ENHANCE COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION INTIATIVES AND TO ACCEPT SUCH FUNDS IF OFFERED AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND CONTRACTS AS NECESSARY.

WHEREAS, serious violence, including shootings and stabbings, has been on the rise since the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, it is vital to enhance and expand social services support for our residents who are at the highest risk of perpetrating a shooting; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, through the Office of Justice Programs, Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative is offering funding to enhance or expand existing programs that seek to prevent and reduce violent crime in communities by supporting comprehensive, evidence-based violence intervention and prevention programs, including efforts to address gang and gun violence, based on partnerships among community residents, local government agencies, victim service providers, community-based organizations (CBOs), law enforcement, hospitals, researchers, and other community stakeholders.

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Resilience seeks to use grant funding to address violence in the City of New Haven; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven supports efforts to prevent and reduce violence; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven recognizes that violence interruption and prevention is essential to promote community well-being and increase public safety; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven authorizes the Mayor of the City of New Haven to apply for funds offered by the Bureau Of Justice Assistance, Office Of Justice Programs, 2022 Community Based Violence Intervention And Prevention Initiatives, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 and to accept such funds, if offered, and to execute all documents and contracts as necessary.