

ORDINANCE No. 185572

* Authorize a grant agreement with Oregon Partnership/Lines for Life providing \$150,000 to expand the capacity of suicide counseling programs (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. Suicide is preventable; and
2. Between 2001 and 2011, suicide calls in the city of Portland grew from 630 to 1,200 a year; and
3. The City of Portland expends significant funds each year responding to suicide calls that could be de-escalated; and
4. Allowing callers in crisis to reach someone who is thoroughly trained in dealing with suicide is vital; and
5. Research shows that 43 percent of suicidal individuals will experience recurrences of suicidal ideation in the first few months following the initial crisis; and
6. 9-1-1 is designed for dispatching police, fire or medical emergency services, not to de-escalate suicide calls; and
7. Lines for Life is a nonprofit dedicated to preventing suicide; and
8. Promoting the Lines for Life number (503) 97-23456 will help decrease the volume of calls to 9-1-1; and
9. Lines for Life has been providing highly effective crisis services to the Portland community for 20 years with an extensive track record of positive outcomes; and
10. Lines for Life crisis counselors go through a rigorous 56 hour training and are certified in Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST); and
11. Lines for Life de-escalates 98 percent of the suicide calls they receive; and
12. Follow up services provided by Lines for Life can last up to six months and includes compassionate listening, referral to treatment and ongoing safety planning to significantly reduce the risk of suicide, decreasing re-attempts and hospital re-admissions; and

13. It is in the interest of the City to support programs that will provide needed professional support to 9-1-1 call dispatchers and police to help de-escalate mental health and suicidal incidents; and
14. It is in the interest of the City to support successful programs such as Lines for Life that have a proven and internationally recognized program for preventing death by suicide

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The City of Portland designates and authorizes the funding contained in this ordinance to be a grant. The Office of the Mayor is authorized, on behalf of the City, to enter into a Grant Agreement with Lines for Life as substantially set forth in Exhibit A attached to this ordinance.
- b. The Mayor and Auditor are authorized to draw and deliver checks totaling \$150,000 to Lines for Life, chargeable to the FY 2012-13 Special Appropriations budget.
- c. The Office of Management and Finance, Financial Planning Division is directed in the FY 2012-13 Fall BMP to recognize the additional \$150,000 from the business license tax amnesty program above the amount budgeted in FY 2012-13, and appropriate those funds to a Lines for Life Special Appropriation.

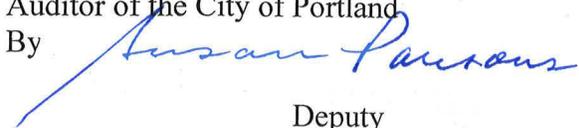
Section 2: The Council declares that an emergency exists because a delay will jeopardize the timely execution of the award of the Grant Agreement to Lines for Life, which may impact Lines for Life's ability to deliver services required under this Grant; therefore, this Ordinance is in full force and effect from and after its passage by Council.

Passed by the Council: AUG 29 2012

Commissioner Fritz
Prepared by: Tim Crail
Date Prepared: August 22, 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Auditor of the City of Portland

By



Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Fritz	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>AUG 24 2012</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland  By: _____ Deputy ACTION TAKEN:
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams	
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz <i>TC</i>	
Position 2/Works - Fish	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Leonard	
BUREAU APPROVAL	
Bureau: Bureau Head:	
Prepared by: Tim Crail Date Prepared: 8/22/2012	
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Meeting Date August 29, 2012	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter 	

AGENDA
TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> Start time: _____ Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)
CONSENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
	YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	✓	
Adams	_____	_____