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Emergency Ordinance

**\*Accept grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2023 Byrne Discretionary Grants Program to support place-based community violence intervention for \$2 million and appropriate \$447,960 for FY 2023-24**

Passed

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. The City applied to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for the FY 2023 Byrne Discretionary Grants Program on March 27, 2023.
2. The Office of Justice Programs has notified the City that it will award a grant for the FY 2023 Byrne Discretionary Grants Program to the City in the amount of \$2,000,000.
3. The Office of Justice Programs will reimburse the City a maximum of \$2,000,000 for approved program expenses incurred by the Community Safety Division and its partners in grant-related activities during the lifetime of the grant.
4. The grant period is October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2027.
5. No match is required by this grant.
6. The window of time in which this grant may be accepted is shorter than the process required of a non-emergency ordinance, necessitating an emergency ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- A. The Mayor is authorized to accept on behalf of the City a grant from OJP for the FY 2023 Byrne Discretionary Grants Program in the amount of \$2,000,000 and to execute a grant agreement with the United States of America acting through its Department of Justice.

Introduced by

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Requested Agenda Type

Consent

Date and Time Information

**Requested Council Date**  
October 11, 2023

B. The FY 2023-2024 budget is hereby amended as follows:

GRANTS FUND

Fund - 217

Business Area - MF

Bureau Program Expenses - \$433,660

PROVIDER FUND

Fund - 703

Business Area - MF

Bureau Program Expenses - \$8,000

Fund - 706

Business Area - MF

Bureau Program Expenses - \$6,300


C. The Office of Management & Finance Grants Division is authorized to perform all administrative matters in relation to the grant application, grant agreement or amendments, requests for reimbursement from the grantor, and to submit required online grant documents on the Mayor's behalf.


D. The Community Safety Division Director or the Director's designee is authorized to execute and amend Intergovernmental Agreements, contracts, and memoranda of understanding as required to complete activities authorized by the grant award.

E. The Community Safety Division Director or the Director's designee is authorized to execute amendments to the FY 2023 Byrne Discretionary Grants Program, #15PBJA-23-GG-00143-BRND, provided the amendments do not increase the City's financial obligation or risk. Any modifications that increase the City's financial obligation or risk must be authorized by Council.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because a delay would jeopardize the award of grant funds from OJP; therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

## Documents and Exhibits

 [Supplemental Information - Award Letter](https://www.portland.gov/sites/default/files/council-documents/2023/fy23-byrne-grant-letter-award-annoted-for-ordinance-supplemental-information-award-letter.pdf) 1.14 MB  
(<https://www.portland.gov/sites/default/files/council-documents/2023/fy23-byrne-grant-letter-award-annoted-for-ordinance-supplemental-information-award-letter.pdf>)

 [Supplemental Information - Proposal and Budget Sheet](https://www.portland.gov/sites/default/files/council-documents/2023/fy23-byrne-discretionary-application-documents-for-e-council-supplemental-information-proposal-and-budget-sheet.pdf) 440.1 KB  
(<https://www.portland.gov/sites/default/files/council-documents/2023/fy23-byrne-discretionary-application-documents-for-e-council-supplemental-information-proposal-and-budget-sheet.pdf>)

An ordinance when passed by the Council shall be signed by the Auditor. It shall be carefully filed and preserved in the custody of the Auditor (City Charter Chapter 2 Article 1 Section 2-122)

Passed by Council  
October 11, 2023

Auditor of the City of Portland  
Simone Rede

## Impact Statement

### Purpose of Proposed Legislation and Background Information

The Fiscal Year 2023 Byrne Discretionary Community Project Funding grant being accepted and appropriated by this ordinance provides funding to the Community Safety Division's (CSD) Safe Blocks Program (SBP) to support place-based community violence intervention (CVI) programming to reduce impacts to public health, social well-being, and the local economy caused by gun violence. The goal of the grant project is to increase community safety and to reduce shooting incidents in three neighborhoods identified by CSD as 'hotspots' through direct investment and additional programming. Through this grant program, CSD will leverage the expertise of current SBP personnel and expand its reach to additional neighborhoods.

Through direct investment and subaward grants, programming activities may include changes to the physical environment such as the installation of green spaces, vacant lot remediation, and/or improvements to traffic flow, pedestrian safety, lighting needs, and access control. Pro-social activities may include youth engagement, resource fairs, block parties, and street mural painting. Community engagement is a core-process of this program and will be facilitated and supported at every phase and will directly inform and impact programming activities.

Expected outcomes of the FY2023 award are:

- A reduction of shooting incidents in the Hazelwood, Eliot, and Powelhurst-Gilbert neighborhoods;
- Reduced calls for police service related to gun violence in the aforementioned neighborhoods;
- Increased feelings of safety among residents of the three neighborhoods;
- Increased community trust in the city's capacity to handle gun violence and a subsequent increase in community engagement in community safety programs.

### Financial and Budgetary Impacts

This action will increase the Office of Management and Finance's Grant Fund appropriation by \$447,960 for FY 2023-24. There is no match required by this grant.

## Community Impacts and Community Involvement

The overall goal of this project is to reduce gun violence in the indicated focus areas through implementing community building and engagement techniques along with community safety and violence prevention interventions.

Engagement will include meetings (note the 4 types below), a community survey, and key participant interviews.

### Meetings:

1. Focus Area Stakeholder meetings
2. Focus Area Stakeholder Sub-group meetings
3. Focus Area Community Specific Outreach meetings
4. Focus Area Meetings - Open to the Public

### Survey:

At multiple points throughout this process, we want to survey locals to learn who makes up this community, what makes this community great, and the key challenges being faced. We want to know what helps people feel safe and how they want to be involved in change-making in their community.

Community Surveys are issued at the outset of a micro-location project to assess perceptions of safety and gather the community's ideas for interventions. A follow-up survey to identify any change in perception can be distributed in phase 2 and/or 3 of project.

Survey templates will be available to modify for each location/site. It is recommended to use a multi-channel distribution strategy: link, QR code, paper, and canvassing to collect responses directly from community members via smartphones or tablets. Surveys will need to be translated into appropriate languages. Follow-up surveys will be collected, cadence of follow-ups will be determined on a site-by-site basis.

### Interviews with key partners:

1. Community groups – name, purpose, contact
2. Community Based Organizations - name, purpose/population served, contact
3. Neighborhood associations – name/contact
4. Schools and Day care centers – name/population served/contact
5. Businesses – name/type/contact if possible
6. Places of Worship - name/contact

## 100% Renewable Goal

- This action neither increases nor decreases the City's total energy use.
- This action neither increases nor decreases the City's renewable energy use.

## Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount
217001	MFDR000314	441100	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280001	97,850
217001	MFDR000314	441100	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280002	50,000
217001	MFDR000314	441100	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280003	286,080
217001	MFDR000314	511200	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280001	61,074
217001	MFDR000314	514100	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280001	35,506
217001	MFDR000314	532000	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280003	92,250
217001	MFDR000314	529001	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280002	25,000
217001	MFDR000314	529001	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280002	25,000
217001	MFDR000314	521000	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280003	154,880
217001	MFDR000314	544000	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280003	9,050
217001	MFDR000314	529000	LAASPSWG000000GL	Non-program	MF000028	MF00280003	29,900
217001	MFDR000314	651201	LAASPSWG000000GL	3MFPD2MF01	MF000028	MF00280004	8,000
217001	MFDR000314	651531	LAASPSWG000000GL	3MFTS2MF01	MF000028	MF00280004	6,300
703000	MFOP000003	641201	LAPTCP00000000GL	3MFPD2MF01	Not-relevant	-	8,000
703000	MFOP000003	549000	LAPTCP00000000GL	Non-program	Not-relevant	-	8,000
706000	MFTS000010	641531	LASC0000000000GL	3MFTS2MF01	Not-relevant	-	6,300
706000	MFTS000010	549000	LASC0000000000GL	Non-program	Not-relevant	-	6,300

## Agenda Items

847 Consent Agenda in [October 11, 2023 Council Agenda](https://www.portland.gov/council/agenda/2023/10/11)  
(<https://www.portland.gov/council/agenda/2023/10/11>)

Passed

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea