

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Completed by County Counselor's Office:

Res/Ord No.: 19170

Sponsor(s): Dan Tarwater III

Date: June 6, 2016

<p>SUBJECT</p>	<p>Action Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p>Project/Title: <u>A resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the OK Program for the purpose of funding by the County's Anti-Drug Sales Tax for the 2016 fiscal year, not to exceed \$16,000.00. The OK Program is engaged in anti-drug and anti-violence activities and purposes.</u></p>												
<p>BUDGET INFORMATION <i>To be completed By Requesting Department and Finance</i></p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="332 577 1274 1018"> <tr> <td>Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$16,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount authorized after this legislative action:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$16,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount budgeted for this item *:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$16,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Funded 008-5108- 56080 COMBAT Professional Services</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$16,000.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>• If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$452,000.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No budget impact (no fiscal note required)</p> <p>Prior Year Budget (if applicable): \$440,000.00 Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable): \$348,192.00</p>	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:	\$16,000.00	Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:	\$0	Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$16,000.00	Amount budgeted for this item *:	\$16,000.00	Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number		Funded 008-5108- 56080 COMBAT Professional Services	\$16,000.00
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<p>PRIOR LEGISLATION</p>	<p>Prior resolutions and (date): Prior resolutions and (date):</p>												
<p>CONTACT INFORMATION</p>	<p>RLA drafted by: Carol Lillis, Office Administrator, 881-1415</p>												
<p>REQUEST SUMMARY</p>	<p>A resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute an agreement with the OK Program, for the purpose of funding by the County's Anti-Drug Sales Tax for the 2016 fiscal year, not to exceed \$16,000.00. OK Program will engage in anti-drug and anti-violence activities and purposes.</p> <p>Background: The Anti-Drug Sales Tax fund authorizes the County to execute agreements and contracted service for the purpose of providing anti-violence initiatives in the community. The mission of the OK Program, is to support and provide prevention services for African American males ages 12-18 by developing and implementing programs that focus on leadership, academics, critical, thinking and mentoring. This is the first summer program hosted by OK. The OK Program involves local police officers as key contributors and organizers of the program which exists in several cities in the United States. This program will provide an adult-supervised, safe instructional, pro-social program for these youth. The youth who participate in the summer program will be involved in a wide variety of activities to expose them to both 'service and professional development' as well as 'selfcare and wellness'. The OK Program has requested COMBAT's support for meals, transportation, t-shirts and programming for the Summer program. This is a part of COMBAT South Kansas City Targeted Neighborhood Initiative.</p>												

CLEARANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Clearance Completed (Purchasing & Department) <input type="checkbox"/> Business License Verified (Purchasing & Department) <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 6 Compliance - Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage (County Auditor's Office)	
ATTACHMENTS		
REVIEW	Department Director: <i>Stacey Davis</i>	Date: <i>5-25-2016</i>
	Finance (Budget Approval): <i>If applicable</i> <i>[Signature]</i>	Date: <i>5/24/16</i>
	Division Manager: <i>Mandy Brown</i>	Date: <i>6/2/16</i>
	County Counselor's Office:	Date:

Fiscal Information (to be verified by Budget Office in Finance Department)

- This expenditure was included in the annual budget.
- Funds for this were encumbered from the _____ Fund in _____.
- There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.
- Funds sufficient for this expenditure will be/were appropriated by Ordinance # _____
- Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

Account Number:	Account Title:	Amount Not to Exceed:

- This award is made on a need basis and does not obligate Jackson County to pay any specific amount. The availability of funds for specific purchases will, of necessity, be determined as each using agency places its order.
- This legislative action does not impact the County financially and does not require Finance/Budget approval.

Proposal for Support

Date: May 18, 2016
TO: Dr. Stacey Daniels-Young, Director, COMBAT
Preparer: Officer Garron Carter, Program Coordinator, OK Program, Kansas City

Please accept this proposal for support. This proposal stands as our organization's formal request for material support, in the form of program meals and supplies, for the OK Youth Summer program, which will target youth in South Kansas City and is in keeping with your plans in that area. The proposal includes the following key content areas:

1. Background on Organization
2. Summary of Summer Youth Program and Expansion
3. Summary of Program Needs, specific to this proposal

(1) Background on Organization

The OK (Our Kids) program is a youth development and mentorship program that has its origins in Cordova, California. The agency targets its efforts to African American males ages 12-18. It aims to help these young men develop:

- Leadership and critical thinking skills
- Achieve academic excellence
- Identify pro-social behaviors that reduce the likelihood of their involvement in criminal activities

This program is based on community development and youth empowerment frameworks that suggest that targeted outreach efforts that are skill-based and behaviorally-focused with mentoring components are successful at improving youth outcomes and reducing delinquency.

The most unique components of the OK program is its community policing infrastructure. The program actively attempts to strengthen the relationship between the African American community and local police departments. This is accomplished in multiple ways, the most pronounced is through program leadership. The OK program coordinators are all police officers who have an active and positive relationship within their respective communities. The second

way that law enforcement has a presence is through their active role in serving as youth mentors through OK program initiatives.

Officers involved in the OK program work with the community to identify youth who may benefit from the program, develop and implement programs that focus on leadership and academics, critical thinking and mentoring. The programs focus on development of the mind, body and spirit. Activities include academic tutoring and professional development seminars; sports, health, and nutrition activities; relationship and socio-emotional management sessions; self-esteem and self-care workshops. The most prominent activity that youth are involved in are the KIC-IT sessions, which are held every Saturday.

(2) Summary of Youth Program and Expansion

In Summer of 2016, the Kansas City Chapter of the OK Program will host its first ever summer program. Evidence suggests that youth violence peaks during times that kids are out of school or unsupervised (Fox, 1996). This program will provide an adult-supervised, safe, instructional, pro-social program for these youth. The program will be held at Bethel Family Worship Center and Smith Hale Middle School, in the Hickman Mills School District. Youth who participate in the summer program will be involved in a wide variety of activities to expose them to both 'service and professional development' and 'self-care and wellness.' Activities will include, but not be limited to:

- STEM activities
- Tours of area law enforcement centers and labs
- Service events with area veterans
- Conservation Activities
- Sports mini-camps and clinics
- Work with area not-for-profits such as churches and food pantries

Summer program activities will take place both during the weekday (M-F) and on an occasional Saturday. The OK program will provide all necessary supplies and human resource personnel support. In addition, area law enforcement and community members will provide volunteer man hours, as needed.

(3) Summary of Program Needs, specific to this proposal

The OK program requests your support for meals, transportation and t-shirts for our Summer Youth Program. Many of our youth come from homes with limited income and financial means, thus their families may have limited ability to provide meals daily and transportation to activities. The majority of our youth participate in the school free lunch program. During the school year, these youth receive both breakfast and lunch through the school district. During the summer, these services are not provided as schools are not in session. This means the financial strain is thus transferred back to the families. While they are involved in the OK program summer activities, our organization would like to assist these families financially by having meals that will allow our youth to be in the best physical and mental shape to maintain their health during involvement in our program. This will align us directly with the USDA's Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act (2010), demonstrating our commitment to ensuring that these youth are exposed to healthy nutritious food options while engaged in our program's physical activities.

We also request funding for transportation to aid us in getting kids exposed to a variety of scheduled summer activities. (Please see attached list). Each of the boys and staff will need t-shirts. The proposal includes the cost of two shirts per participant and staff. Again, due to financial strains, families are unable to purchase t-shirts. The matching t-shirts will also help us identify the boys when we are out on field trips.

The program already exists in South Kansas City secondary schools. With this funding, we will be able to expand services and recruit youth not already involved. At the start of the next school year, we will be ready to develop OK at additional sites.

Budgetary Needs:

Breakfast, Lunch and/or Snacks, dependent on programming for the day	\$10,000.00
T-Shirts for 100 @ \$8 each	800.00
Supplies	500.00
Printing (consent forms, flyers)	700.00
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GET WITH THE PROGRAM

Introduction

The OK Program

OK VISION

African-American boys live long productive lives.

OK MISSION

Empowering Black men and boys to transform their communities.

The OK Program is a national mentoring model for African-American men and boys. The program brings together African-American police officers, (who are trained by the National OK Program to serve as coordinators of the program) and pastors around the country to recruit, train and organize African-American men to mentor African-American boys between the ages of 12 and 18.

This partnership between police officers and men in our community is a powerful relationship that changes interactions between the two. Together, through the OK Program, police and black men help young African-American men develop leadership and critical-thinking skills while promoting academic excellence and good moral character.

The men in the program are called "teammates" because the OK Program is based on a team-mentoring concept. Each teammate is important to the team's success. This team concept provides the organizational structure necessary to offer black men an opportunity to take responsibility in helping to change the course of young African-American males.

School administrators and teachers play a critical role in the OK Program. They provide academic and citizenship information on the boys to the program so that the officers and the men remain aware of the boys' progress in school. Young men in the program receive awards for their efforts, achievements and successes. By earning at least a 2.5 GPA and good citizenship each grading period, the boys also qualify to participate in fun excursions to college and professional ball games, amusement parks and other exciting events.

Every Saturday, KIC'IT Sessions (Kids Interacting Communicating Immix Team-mates) bring together OK Program police officers with African-American men



and boys. These sessions are where strong relationships are built and where men share life experiences with their younger counterparts. During KIC'IT Sessions, the boys learn they are responsible for their future and are exposed to the wide variety of topics that make up the OK Program curriculum, specifically designed to meet the unique needs of African-American males. Among them are to always strive for excellence, to compete for the best grades, to be respectful, and to seek to make positive contributions to their families and communities. Through this mentor-centered approach the OK Program fosters life-changing relationships and long-lasting impacts.

To learn more information about the OK Program, its national expansion efforts, and ways to provide financial support, please visit okprogram.org

Upcoming Events & Summer Activities

May 21 – KIC'IT Session – Anti Violence Summit in KCK at Coronado Middle School (10am to 2pm)

May 26 – KCPD Basketball Camp at SPD (6pm to 7:30pm)

May 28 – Royals game with Step Achievement boys and teammates (1pm game time. Meeting time TBD)

June 1- Coffee with Veterans at EPD (10am to 12pm)

June 2 – KCPD Basketball Camp at SPD (6pm to 7:30pm)

June 10 – KCPD Basketball Camp at SPD (6pm to 7:30pm)

June 15- Department of Conversation at Long View Lake (TBD)

- **Fishing, canoeing, pond study**

June 16 – KCPD Basketball Camp at SPD (6pm to 7:30pm)

June 22- Golf Lessons at Swope Park Golf Course (9am to 11am)

June 23 – KCPD Basketball Camp at SPD (6pm to 7:30pm)

June 30 - KCPD Basketball Camp at SPD (6pm to 7:30pm)

June 28- Volunteer at Blood Drive at EPD (3pm to 7pm)

June 28- Golf lessons at Swope Park Golf Course (9am to 11am)

July 6- Golf Lessons at Swope Park Golf Course (9am to 11am)

July 7- UMKC School of Medicine, Workshop for Ok Program (9am to 1pm)

- **Receive a hands on experience**
- **Small group tours**

July 21- Department of Conservation at the Discovery Center (TBD)

- **Archery**
- **Fire making**
- **Navigation**

August 3- Coffee with Veterans at EPD (10am to 12pm)

August 13 – Chapter Luncheon (FUNDRAISER) (TBD)

August 20- One-hundred-man dinner at St. James UMC (TBD)

August 21- Men’s Day at St. James UMC / OK Boys and Program will be recognized (TBD)

Other Summer Activities – Dates and times to be determined.

- **Community Services/ Volunteer one or more day(s) a week from May 23 to August 5**
- **Assist with food pantry at St. James UMC and other churches (dates to be determined)**
- **Neighborhood initiatives (Neighborhood cleanups, etc)**
- **STEM Activities**
- **Various Fitness Initiatives**
- **Tour of KCPD Crime Lab and Program, Tour of KCPD Horse Unit, Presentation by KCPD TAC, Presentation and tour of our Mounted Patrol Unit, Tour/Presentation by KCFD, Tour nature centers, WWI museum tour, Tour Art museums and Tour of Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City.**

- **The Hickman Mills School District has reserved the gymnasium at Smith Hale Middle School for the OK Program use. The Gym is reserved from May 23 to Aug 5th from noon to 7pm M-F.**