

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION authorizing the execution of a Cooperative Agreement with the United Way of Greater Kansas City, for the Quality Matters: Preparing Our Children and Youth For School and Life Success program, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$8,250.00.

RESOLUTION #17985, September 24, 2012

INTRODUCED BY James D. Tindall, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Drug Commission recommends the participation in the United Way of Greater Kansas City's Quality Matters: Preparing Our Children and Youth For School and Life Success program; and,

WHEREAS, the Quality Matters program is a joint partnership between COMBAT and the United Way of Greater Kansas City that provides training to COMBAT prevention agencies to strengthen child and youth development programs and to aid in anti-drug and violence prevention activities and purposes; and,

WHEREAS, this request is to partially fund three additional COMBAT sites for the program, at ArtsTech, ReStart, and the Housing Authority of Kansas City, at an aggregate cost to the County in the amount of \$8,250.00; and,

WHEREAS, COMBAT has previously helped recruit several prevention programs to

participate in the Quality Matters program; and,

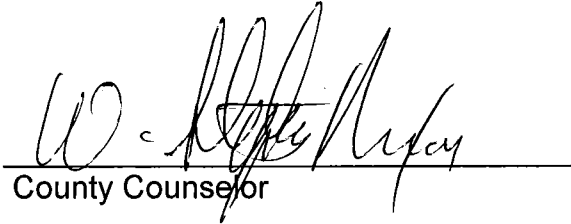
WHEREAS, COMBAT's participation in the Quality Matters program is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Jackson County; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute a Cooperative Agreement with the United Way of Greater Kansas City, in the amount of \$8,250.00, in a form to be approved by the County Counselor, for the expansion of the 2012 Quality Matters: Preparing Our Children and Youth For School and Life Success program to ArtsTech, ReStart, and the Housing Authority of Kansas City.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Chief Deputy County Counselor


County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution #17985 of September 24, 2012, was duly passed on October 1, 2012 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 7

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 2

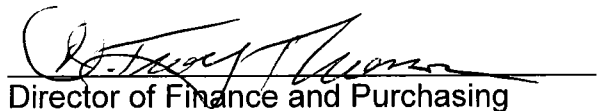
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Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

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.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 008 4401 56080
ACCOUNT TITLE: Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund
COMBAT Administration
Other Professional Services
NOT TO EXCEED: \$8,250.00

September 24, 2012
Date


Director of Finance and Purchasing

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Completed by County Counselor's Office:

Res/Ord No.: 17985

Sponsor(s): James D. Tindall

Date: Sept. 14, 2012

<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 for the payment of a portion of the program costs to the United Way of Greater Kansas City <i>Quality Matters: Preparing Our Children and Youth for School and Life Success</i> program, to be funded by the County's Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund, which are engaged in anti-drug prevention and violence prevention activities and purposes, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$8,250.00</u></p>												
<p>BUDGET INFORMATION <i>To be completed By Requesting Department and Finance</i></p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$8,250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount authorized after this legislative action:</td> <td>\$ 8,250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount budgeted for this item *:</td> <td>\$8,250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>008 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund 4401 COMBAT Administration 56080 Other Professional Services</td> <td>\$8,250.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>* If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$247,631.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No budget impact (no fiscal note required)</p> <p>Prior Year Budget (if applicable): Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable):</p>	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:	\$8,250.00	Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:	\$0.00	Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$ 8,250.00	Amount budgeted for this item *:	\$8,250.00	Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number:		008 Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund 4401 COMBAT Administration 56080 Other Professional Services	\$8,250.00
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<p>PRIOR LEGISLATION</p>	<p>Prior ordinances and (date): Prior resolutions and (date):</p>												
<p>CONTACT INFORMATION</p>	<p>RLA drafted by: Dave Fleming, Planning and Development Administrator, 881-3572</p>												
<p>REQUEST SUMMARY</p>	<p>A resolution authorizing the County Executive for the payment of a portion of the program costs to the United Way of Greater Kansas City <i>Quality Matters: Preparing Our Children and Youth for School and Life Success</i> program, to be funded by the County's Anti-Drug Sales Tax Fund, which are engaged in anti-drug prevention and violence prevention activities and purposes, at a cost to the County not to exceed \$8,250.00</p> <p>This program is a joint partnership between COMBAT and the United Way of Greater Kansas City. In the past, COMBAT has helped recruit several prevention programs to participate in this program. This current request would be to partially fund three additional sites/programs to participate in the <i>Quality Matters</i> program. The COMBAT programs identified are:</p> <p>Arts Tech ReStart Housing Authority of Kansas City</p>												

	Funding to support this joint partnership has been approved by the Drug Commission as part of our strategy in identifying and supporting innovative and cutting-edge programs that reduce substance use and abuse and help to reduce violence within our community.	
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	United Way Letter; Quality Matters Information	
REVIEW	Department Director: <i>[Signature]</i>	Date: 9-12-2012
	Finance (Budget Approval): If applicable <i>Robert Ball</i>	Date: 9-17-12
	Division Manager: <i>[Signature]</i>	Date: 9-17-12
	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:
008-4401-56080	Other Professional Services	\$8,250.00

- 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.

Fiscal Note:

This expenditure was included in the Annual Budget.

PC# _____

Date: September 17, 2012

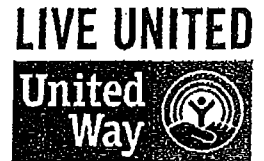
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<u>Department / Division</u>	<u>Character/Description</u>	<u>Not to Exceed</u>
Anti-Drug Sales Tax - 008		
<u>4401 - COMBAT Administration</u>	<u>56080 - Other professional services</u>	<u>8,250</u>
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Total		8,250

Alberan S Ball 9-17-12
Budgeting

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August 14, 2012

Stacey Daniels-Young, PhD
COMBAT
415 E. 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Dr. Daniels-Young:

On behalf of United Way of Greater Kansas City, I am writing to thank you for your interest in partnering with United Way's *Quality Matters: Preparing Our Children and Youth for School and Life Success*, a multi-year effort to champion quality out-of-school time experiences and build strong community capacity to strengthen child and youth development.

At United Way, we are pleased that COMBAT wishes to partner with us on this effort and contribute \$2,750 per participating COMBAT site. United Way is matching COMBAT dollars two to one, and would welcome resources from COMBAT to cover the remaining costs for COMBAT site participation. This partnership will allow COMBAT's funded program partners to take advantage of a research-proven tool to improve program quality and leverage even greater results for this region's children and youth. A total of five COMBAT agencies were a part of the initial 2009 pilot, and this number grew to nine COMBAT sites participating by Cohort 3 program year (September 2011 – May 2012).

To further this partnership with COMBAT, United Way would be willing to secure resources to match your contribution of \$2,750 per site for five additional COMBAT recommended sites to participate in the upcoming cohort year (September 2012 – May 2013).

United Way launched *Quality Matters* in November 2009, by engaging ten agencies and 24 of their sites throughout the five-county region to participate in a pilot project, using a proven improvement process called the Youth Program Quality Intervention (YPQI), developed by the David P. Weikart Center for Youth Program Quality in Ypsilanti, Michigan. The Weikart Center is a joint project of the HighScope Educational Research Foundation and the Forum for Youth Investment (Washington, DC). Both organizations are nationally recognized for championing research-based approaches for advancing program quality, youth worker professional development, and sustained commitment to improving the odds for today's children and youth.

United Way is pleased to acknowledge the other key anchor partners that are working with us to design and implement this important initiative, and pleased that COMBAT with its historic leadership on quality youth development programming is also proposing to partner with this effort. The current technical assistance and research partners include:

- The Francis Institute for Child and Youth Development of the Metropolitan Community Colleges – Penn Valley Campus, which is providing the coaching and technical assistance to providers,
- The Institute for Human Development at the University of Missouri – Kansas City, which is providing trained external assessors,

- The Department of Psychology and Research in Education within the School of Education at the University of Kansas (KU-ED), which conducted a youth outcome research study for the pilot, and
- The Partnership for Children, in collaboration with KU-ED conducted a comprehensive regional landscape study of child and youth development programs.

To date, UWGKC's *Quality Matters* has trained 749 staff at 46 sites, impacting over 5,000 youth served by 23 out-of-school time organizations at 120 of their sites throughout United Way's five-county region. Demonstrating the importance of providing quality opportunities for low-income, at-risk children and youth, the majority of children served by these sites live in households that qualify for the federal Free and Reduced Price School Lunch program.

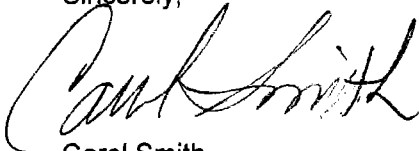
The Youth Program Quality Intervention tool is a powerful learning prompt to optimize resources and bring out the best in staff. Program staff learn to observe, assess and score their own program offerings (and receive an objective external assessment for comparison); engage in data-driven improvement planning; and then to carry out the plan with support in the form of aligned training and coaching.

Annually we publish a report on the status of the effectiveness of this quality improvement process. Exciting findings include:

1. A majority of pilot sites increased instructional quality during the Quality Matters initiative, sometimes substantially.
2. Managers found the process effective and worthwhile.
3. Program areas needing improvement were identified.
4. Youth reports of positive experiences, such as engagement, taking initiative to work on projects and goals, or leading a group of peers, were found to be strongly related to programs that operated at high quality.

We look forward to working with COMBAT to expand the reach of this program.

Sincerely,



Carol Smith
Vice President, Community Impact

UNITED WAY'S STRATEGIC COMMUNITY CHANGE INITIATIVE

United Way of Greater Kansas City launched Quality Matters, a multi-year effort to champion quality out-of-school time opportunities that strengthen child and youth achievement, to help today's youth overcome barriers to success and to maximize long-lasting benefits for this region's children and youth.

Education - Maximizing the Experience

Getting a good education is universally accepted as the foundation for success as an adult, but children and youth spend only roughly 27% of their time in school. Students motivated and engaged in learning – both during the school day and afterschool – are more likely to succeed in school and life.

United Way is committed to making Quality Matters a multi-year effort that champions quality out-of-school time experiences and develops strong community leadership on youth development. By working in partnership with diverse stakeholders, United Way expects to build upon the current evidence-based approaches in place, learn from working in partnership, and integrate new strategies that will leverage system-wide changes that achieve even greater results for this region's children and youth into the future.

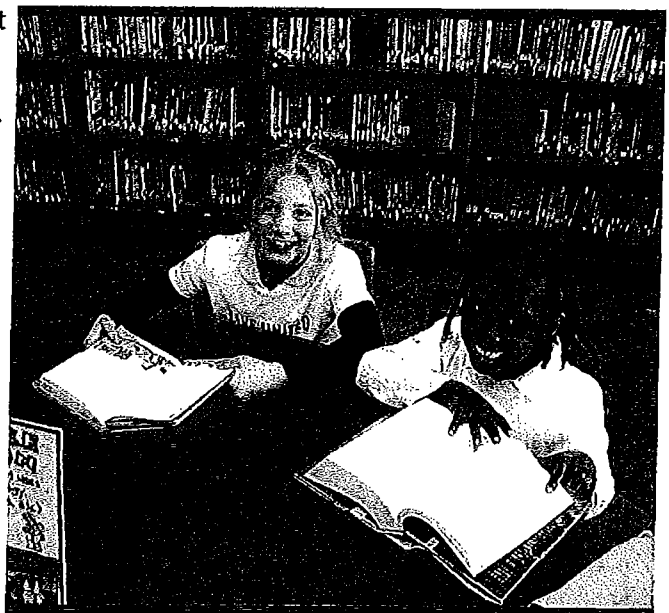
Non-School Hours - Why They Matter

More and more children and youth participate in out-of-school time programming, in part because their parents are working. In this region, three out of four school age children live in households where all parents are in the labor force. Nationwide, approximately 6.5 million children participate in after-school programming; another 15.3 million would participate if a program were available. Nationally, 26% of children are responsible for taking care of themselves after school; in Missouri and Kansas, the percentage is even higher at 32% and 35%, respectively.

Children and youth face many threats to their health, safety and social/emotional well-being if unsupervised during the out-of-school time hours, which include not just before- and after-school hours but also weekends, school holidays and the summer months. During the period of 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on school days, youth are more likely to commit crime, become victims of crime, experiment with drugs and alcohol or engage in sexual activity than in any other time period.

Parents have always looked for out-of-school programs that are safe. But, research shows that children and youth also build important social, civic and academic skills in non-school hours - skills that advance the adult thinking capacities critical to today's workforce, such as initiative, reflection and teamwork. Effective programs in non-school hours also are proven to reduce negative behaviors, such as delinquency – reduced crime and delinquency alone are documented to yield approximately a \$5 return for every \$1 invested in quality out-of-school time programs.

The key demographic target for this initiative is that more of this region's children and youth, especially at-risk, low-income students, are motivated and engaged in learning during non-school hours. Research documents that children and youth in quality out-of-school time programs have better attendance and attitudes towards school, which means they are more likely to graduate on-time, a proven milestone on the journey to life success.



A Proven Strategy

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Our Research and Technical Partners:

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