

**REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

**Version 6/10/19**

Completed by County Counselor's Office:

Res/Ord No.: **5420**

Sponsor(s): **Theresa Cass Galvin**

Date: **October 5, 2020**

SUBJECT	<p>Action Requested  <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p>Project/Title: Appropriating \$800,000 in CARES Act funding for distribution to food banks and outside agencies in Jackson County to insure that food insecurity is minimized in the wake of the full economic impact of the COVID-19 outbreak Authorizing the County Executive to enter into contracts with the Community Services League in the amount of \$100,000 and One Good Meal in the amount of \$70,000 and authorizing the County Executive to solicit applications for the remaining \$630,000 to assist in mitigating food insecurity needs..</p>																								
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PRIOR LEGISLATION	<p>Prior ordinances and (date): <b>#5371, 6/22/2020;</b>          Prior resolutions and (date):</p>																								
CONTACT INFORMATION	<p>RLA drafted by Troy Schulte, County Administrator at 881-1079</p>																								
REQUEST SUMMARY	<p>This ordinance appropriates \$800,000 in CARES Act funding to further address food insecurity in Jackson County brought on by the economic recession triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic. This ordinance allocates \$100,000 to the Community Services League and \$70,000 to One Good Meal to address food insecurity issues. It further authorizes the County Executive to enter into contracts with these agencies and to solicit applications for outside agencies to purchase and distribute food and other basic necessities to Jackson County residents in need in the amount of \$630,000. All recommendations for funding through the application process will be brought back before the County Legislature for final approval.</p>																								
CLEARANCE	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Tax Clearance Completed (Purchasing &amp; Department)</p>																								



	<input type="checkbox"/> Business License Verified (Purchasing & Department) N/A <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 6 Compliance - Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage (County Auditor's Office)	
COMPLIANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> MBE Goals <input type="checkbox"/> WBE Goals N/A <input type="checkbox"/> VBE Goals	
ATTACHMENTS		
REVIEW	Department Director: <i>Ray M. Schultz</i>	Date: <i>10-1-2020</i>
	Finance (Budget Approval): <i>If applicable</i>	<b>APPROVED</b> <small>By Mark Land at 10:19 am, Oct 01, 2020</small>
	Division Manager:	Date: <i>10-1-2020</i>
	County Counselor's Office: <i>Bryan O. Conroy</i>	Date: <i>10-1-20</i>

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:
040-9999-32810	CARES Act Fund, Undesignated Fund Balance	\$800,000

- 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.

## Supplemental Appropriation Request Jackson County, Missouri

Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

Date: October 1, 2020

Ord # 5420

Department / Division	Character/Description	From	To
<b>040 CARES Act</b>			
9999 -	32810 Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ 800,000	\$ -
7706 One Good Meal	56789 Outside Agency Funding	-	70,000
1526 Food Insecurity	56789 Outside Agency Funding	-	630,000
7711 Community Services League	56789 Outside Agency Funding	-	100,000
		<u>\$ 800,000</u>	<u>\$ 800,000</u>

**APPROVED**  
By Mark Lang at 10:17 am, Oct 01, 2020

Budget Office



From: **Melodie Chrisman** <[chrismanm@cslcares.org](mailto:chrismanm@cslcares.org)>

Date: Sun, Aug 30, 2020, 2:30 PM

Subject: CSL Food Needs

Thank you Jeanie for reaching out. As we talked about I oversee Blue Springs, Oak Grove, Buckner and Grain Valley offices. We also have Noland, Hawthorne, Fairmout, Farview and 29<sup>th</sup> Street locations in Independence. We are now 6 months into this pandemic and we have done a great job of leveraging our partnership with Harvesters to obtain free food through the TEFAP program however most of our offices also rely on community donations. All of our offices lost huge food drives like Stamp Out Hunger through the Postal Service and Harvesters, Boy Scout drives, School driven drives etc. Blue Springs Community Unity Week netted over 64K items a year and that helped all of our offices. We will not obtain any of that. We have received some funding through a few grants but when you are talking about sustaining this level of food insecurity it is daunting to keep up.

My East offices alone served over 600 families last month. Noland alone serves 650-700 families every other week during a food distribution day. If you say they are all a family of 4 (which is low) then do the math, thousands of folks have been affected by this pandemic by loss of a job, a parent having to stay home for the kids etc. Some folks have not even gotten their first round of unemployment and many other reasons. We have never seen these numbers. Additionally we have been the one consistent agency that has remained open the entire pandemic. So many have closed.

Most of the funding my offices receive are CDBG funding through the City. Oak Grove received some funding as well but it is all for direct assistance such as rent and utility payments. Of course this is a very appreciated and needed fund and we are helping so many folks. Through United Way we receive EFSP funding and that too is for direct assistance. There is a small portion that is used for food purchases throughout the organization so it does not go far.

You asked me an amount that would get us through the end of the year and I am not sure how to answer that. We are getting very low in all offices from our community donations which is a supplement to the Harvesters food we provide. If we just gave Harvesters our clients would be back every week because it is not enough. We also could purchase more food through Harvesters at a much lower rate than a grocery store, even though they give us all the discounts they can. I would say organizational wide we would need \$50000.0 or more to keep this pace up. We try to give each family enough to get by for several weeks.

Also keep in mind we are working with Harvesters with the Farm to Family initiative and having that helps but it is fresh food and we have to get rid of it quickly due to storage space and spoilage. It is a wonderful additional to have fresh fruit and veggies and dairy products but we can only get limited amounts.

I hope this gives you some direction and we so appreciate anything you could do. We are committed to keeping our families fed here in Eastern Jackson County and taking that one worry off the plate. So many folks are struggling right now and we don't see this changing for a while.

Many thanks my friend. Let me know if you need anything else. Also Lynn Rose is our Senior Vice President and she is an excellent source regarding our funding.

**Melodie Chrisman**

**Asst. Vice President of Income**

**Supports**

**Blue Springs Site Manager**

**Community Services League**

**200 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Blue Springs, MO 64015**

**816-229-0033**

**[www.csicare.org](http://www.csicare.org)**

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*One Good Meal is a not-for-profit incorporated organization dedicated to providing hot meals to seniors and handicapped regardless of income.'*

September 24, 2020

Theresa,

On behalf of One Good Meal, I respectfully request an additional investment of \$70,000 from the Jackson County legislature in support of our work to feed and provide informal health checks for vulnerable seniors and other home-bound persons in Jackson County.

We are incredibly grateful for the steadfast support of the Jackson County Legislature. We respect that you are investing the public support dollars on behalf of our citizens and that you must be good and careful stewards on their behalf. I am pleased to remind you that One Good Meal has no paid staff and little administrative overhead. We even operate out of donated space to eliminate overhead costs of rent and utilities. Almost 89% of our annual budget is for the direct actual cost of food and delivery containers.

One Good Meal is facing a critical challenge. Tragically, our clients are those most at risk in the COVID-19 pandemic. Seniors and persons with underlying health conditions are warned to remain home and avoid public spaces. In response, referrals to One Good Meal from our community partners have substantially increased. With the coming winter months and difficulties faced in simply getting out in snow, ice and cold, we anticipate even greater need.

In the months of January-March of 2020, we served approximately 132 people per day, 5 days a week. To date, we have seen increased need of approximately 8 persons per day and based on historic trends, anticipate another 10-12 over the coming winter months. We have also had a reduction in volunteers due to Covid 19 which has greatly increased our transportation costs

This request is based on our anticipated funding gap of almost \$86,000 (direct cost of meals), offset by pending requests of \$17,500 from the Health Forward Foundation and \$7,000 from the Greater Lee's Summit Health Foundation. Those requests are not guaranteed but are hoped for. One Good Meal uses every cent of the grants awarded to pay for food – any other expenses come from fundraisers and client payments.

I would be happy to talk with you further if you have any questions about our request or operations. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Roberta McArthur  
Executive Director