




Interoffice Memorandum

December 12, 2022

To: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
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County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Approval of Contract Y23-2033, Innovation Programming for Youth District
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ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Contract Y23-2033, Innovation Programming for Youth District 5, with Red Verses, Inc., in the total contract award amount of \$200,000 for a two-year term.

PURPOSE:

This contract will provide funds to increase life success through revolutionary beginner literacy programs and community based social innovations in response to extremely low literacy scores and an absence of effective accelerated programs for beginner readers to catch up to required target-reading levels due to the pandemic. The performance period is January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024.

FUNDING:

Funding is available in account number 0001-062-2556-8610.

APPROVALS:

The Citizens' Review Panel for Human Services (CRP) recommended Red Verses, Inc. to receive CRP funding to provide an Innovation Programming for Youth District 5. The Citizens' Commission for Children Division concurs with the funding recommendation.

REMARKS:

In accordance with the Code of Ordinances, Part 1, Chapter 17, Article III, Section 17-286 – Application and Exclusions, agreements between the Board and nonprofit organizations are excluded from competitive procurement requirements.

Red Verses, Inc. will provide Innovation Programming for Youth District 5 through their literacy development program designed to help young children read two years sooner than average, accelerate children's reading skills, and build a passionate literacy desire.