

RESOLUTION NO. 92-2022 (PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Naaleh Cleveland, a non-profit corporation, for the use of Community Development Block Grant funds to provide support for the organization's mental health services programming; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, Naaleh Cleveland is a non-profit corporation focused on strengthening the emotional and mental well-being of the Cleveland Community; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City and its residents to provide partial funding for the agency's programming; and

WHEREAS, there are monies available for such purpose from Year 48 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter into an agreement and any related documents with Naaleh Cleveland, a non-profit corporation, to provide for funding in the amount of up to Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) from Year 48 Community Development Block Grant funds. The services to be performed by Naaleh Cleveland are set forth in the Statement of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein. The agreement shall be subject to the approval as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

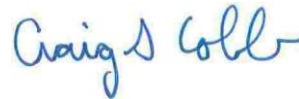
SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to allow the necessary services of Naaleh Cleveland to continue uninterrupted. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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MELODY JOY HART  
President of the Council



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CRAIG COBB  
Clerk of Council, Pro Tem

PASSED: June 21, 2022

Presented to Mayor: June 24, 2022

Approved: July 2, 2022



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KAHLIL SEREN  
Mayor

**EXHIBIT A**  
**STATEMENT OF WORK**

**NAALEH CLEVELAND**

Naaleh Cleveland is a non-profit organization focused on strengthening the emotional and mental well-being of the Cleveland Community. Taking the initial steps towards getting mental health help can be daunting, and Naaleh's experts guide and assist individuals in navigating the resources available in the community. They offer support, education and advocacy to anyone who seeks out their help.

Naaleh ensures access to mental health professionals that meet the cultural sensitivities and low-income financial situation of those limited to Medicaid. Additionally, Naaleh's High-Risk Teen Mentoring Program addresses substance abuse amongst adolescents, combating the opioid crisis in Ohio. Their programming has seen great success in sobriety rates as well as in educational goals. Naaleh's mental health counselors and mentors guide these teens towards completing high school and achieving gainful employment.

CDBG funds will assist Naaleh Cleveland serve 250 resident by assisting them access mental health services, with a minimum of 51% being from low-and moderate-income households. Programing is offered at their facilities at 5010 Mayfield Road and 1463 Warrensville Center Road. If necessary, programming will be conducted online.