

RESOLUTION NO. 93-2022 (PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Open Doors Academy, a non-profit corporation, for the use of Community Development Block Grant funds to support the organization's Out-of-School Time Program for Cleveland Heights-University Heights School District Middle School Scholars and the Out-of-School Time Program for Cleveland Heights High School Scholars; providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the Open Doors Academy is a non-profit corporation, the mission of which is to protect, inspire, nurture, and challenge youth to reach their full potential; 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 the Open Doors Academy, a non-profit corporation, to provide for funding in the amount of up to Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$26,000) from Year 48 Community Development Block Grant funds. The services to be performed by the Open Doors Academy are set forth in the Statement of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein. The agreement shall be reviewed 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 the Open Doors Academy 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



CRAIG COBB
Clerk of Council, Pro Tem

PASSED: June 21, 2022

Presented to Mayor: June 24, 2022

Approved: July 2, 2022



KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

EXHIBIT A
STATEMENT OF WORK

Open Doors Academy exists to protect, inspire, nurture, and challenge adolescents to reach their full potential through the provision of meaningful out-of-school enrichment programming in a safe and structured environment.

OPEN DOORS ACADEMY - OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAM FOR CLEVELAND HEIGHTS-UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHOLARS (\$10,000)

Open Doors Academy's (ODA) proposed out-of-school time Middle School Program will be offered to Cleveland Heights University Heights City School District middle school scholars. ODA's program includes mentoring, homework help, service learning projects, and enrichment programming delivered mostly in the afterschool setting. This program addresses developmental barriers that inhibit the learning process, provides scholars with a safe environment to explore new interests, and opens doors to opportunities that otherwise would not be available. The program provides scholars with the opportunity to address academic issues, develop soft skills, and build healthy relationships with peers. In addition to their core learning model, they provide scholars with daily opportunities to complete their homework and receive academic support (including reading and math) through small group tutoring. They also incorporate project-based learning, team-building exercises, mindfulness practice, and field trips.

Open Doors Academy will serve 70 youths in their enrichment programming, with a minimum of 51% being from low-and moderate-income households. Programming will be offered at Monticello Middle School and Roxboro Middle School. If necessary, programming may take place online. Community Development Block Grant funds will assist with personnel costs.

OPEN DOORS ACADEMY - OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAM FOR CLEVELAND HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARS (\$16,000)

Open Doors Academy's (ODA) proposed extended out-of-school time High School Program will be offered to scholars attending Cleveland Heights High School. ODA's five-year extended High School Program prepares scholars for post-secondary education or job training. Programming consists of opportunities for volunteering in the community, job shadowing, career exploration, paid summer internships, weekly afternoon workshops focused on developing work skills, college tours, local and national service-learning trips, and individual mentoring and support. The program also identifies internship and job shadowing opportunities for scholars in high-demand industries such as healthcare, technology, and manufacturing. Their program begins freshman year and continues through at least a full year after high school graduation. They keep their alumni connected to a supportive network of mentors and peers as they pursue post-secondary education, job training, and/or employment.

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Open Doors Academy will serve 22 youths in their enrichment programming, with a minimum of 51% being from low-and moderate-income households. Programing will be offered at Cleveland Heights High School or online, if necessary. Community Development Block Grant funds will assist with personnel costs.