



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: TMP-6995

Submitted Department/Preparer: Municipal Court

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Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

Executive Summary

Authorizing the acceptance of a \$64,414.00 grant from the Jackson County COMBAT program to fund the Kansas City, Municipal Court Truancy Program, estimating and appropriating that money to the Truancy Court Program, and recognizing an accelerated effective date.

Discussion

The purpose of the Kansas City Municipal Truancy Court is to ensure that children between the ages of 7 and 17 are in school as mandated by law. Through this program referrals are made to community agencies to identify and address the barriers and root causes of truant behavior and to provide resources to families as needed.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? Yes No
2. What is the funding source?
2580 – General Grants
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
Provides grant funds for the Kansas City Municipal Court Truancy Program in FY 27.
4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
This grant is a one year grant that that expires during FY2027.
5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?
Yes it will generate grant revenue up to the grant amount if that amount is expended.

Office of Management and Budget Review
(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. Yes No
2. This fund has a structural imbalance. Yes No
3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. Yes No

Additional Discussion (if needed)

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Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Public Safety (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
 - Engage the community and community partners to focus on evidence-based approaches to public safety.
 - Focus on violence prevention among all age groups, placing an emphasis on youth.
 - Increase fairness, justice, and responsiveness of our municipal criminal justice system to support the best possible outcome for offenders and victims of crime.
 - Reduce recidivism through prevention, deterrence, including detention, and re-entry services.
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Prior Legislation

The Truancy Court, which has operated since 2012, previously received COMBAT grant funding via ordinances 200813, 200218, 220206, 230293, 240268, and 250653.

Service Level Impacts

With the COMBAT grant funding, the Truancy Court will serve up to 300 participants. Referrals are made to community agencies but due to extreme economic deprivation many participants cannot afford needed services. COMBAT grant funding will pay for services that participants would not have received otherwise to increase program success and reduce violent risk factors.

Staff Recommendation

Administrator of the Municipal Court

Select One: Sponsored
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Select One: Recommend
 Do Not Recommend
 Not Applicable

We recommend passage to continue to provide services for the students and families in Truancy Court, a key municipal specialty court that has made a positive impact on the community for 14 years.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
Truancy Court Intervention Program services include but are not limited to anger management and parenting classes for parents and guardians in need of those services; service referrals for children acting out in school, at home or displaying aggressive behaviors or experiencing trauma; mental health and drug addiction.
2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
Staff collaborated with education and treatment professionals from the surrounding school districts and community.
3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
COMBAT grant funding will promote sustainability through social equity by paying for services that participants would not have received otherwise to increase program success and reduce violent risk factors. Additional services include school supplies, hygiene kits to families as needed.
4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
No (Press tab after selecting)

NA. Accepting grant funding from Jackson County, a governmental entity.

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5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)

Please provide reasoning why not:

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6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?

No(Press tab after selecting)