

Legislation Text

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Ordinance in the Amount of \$499,654 for the Contract with One Step Further, Inc. and for the Contract with Cure Violence, UIC School of Public Health to Establish a Cure Violence Program

Council Priority: Promote Public Safety & Reduce Crime

Department: Multiple Council District: All

Public Hearing: N/A Advertising Date/By: N/A

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# **PURPOSE**:

The purpose of the ordinance is to establish funding for the contract with One Step Further, Inc. and for the contract with Cure Violence, UIC School of Public Health to establish a Cure Violence Program. City Council is requested to approve a budget ordinance to permit the expenditures.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The City of Greensboro wishes to address the issues of violence occurring in the City and thereby seeks to fund a program based on the principles of the national Cure Violence Initiative. The City of Greensboro seeks to contract with One Step Further, Inc. for the purposes of establishing a Cure Violence program. To do so, the City and One Step Further, Inc. will enter into a Memorandum of Agreement and Scope of Services contract for \$399,654. Moreover, the City of Greensboro seeks to contract with Cure Violence, UIC School of Public Health for the technical and training assistance with the Cure Violence program. The City and Cure Violence, UIC School of Public will enter into a Scope of Services contract for \$100,000. This contract will work in conjunction with the contract with One Step Further, Inc. which will administer the program.

Cure Violence, founded by University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health Epidemiologist Gary Slutkin, M.D. is a public health anti-violence program. It aims to stop the spread of violence in communities by using the methods and strategies associated with disease control - detecting and interrupting conflicts, identifying and treating the highest risk individuals, and changing social norms. In simpler terms, the initiative looks at violence as an infection that spreads from one person to another in clusters and epidemic waves. In doing so, the health sector will have a broader response to the violence epidemic.

## **BUDGET IMPACT**:

The project will be funded from general fund account 101-9510-11.

## **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The City Council is requested to approve the attached ordinance establishing funding for the contract with One

Step Further, Inc. and for the contract with Cure Violence, UIC School of Public Health to establish a Cure Violence program.