Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: May 15, 2017

Re: Annual Agreement Renewal with Boone County Family Resources to Provide Funding and Support for the C.A.R.E. Program

Executive Summary

Boone County Family Resources (BCFR) and the Parks and Recreation C.A.R.E. program entered into an agreement on October 1, 2009, to initiate a program to provide staff and funding to support job training and placement for up to 10 youths with special needs.  This agreement has been renewed annually since 2009. The current agreement expires at the end of BCFR’s fiscal year (June 30, 2017).  Based on the program’s success, BCFR wishes to continue this partnership.  The proposed agreement will extend the program for one year from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.  The cooperative agreement as proposed by BCFR will provide $46,740 in annual support for the program. This is a $612 increase over last year’s agreement to provide an adjustment for the increase in minimum wage effective in 2017.

Discussion

The Parks and Recreation Department has received funding from Boone County Family Resources (BCFR) to use for a program, within the current C.A.R.E. program, to hire up to 10 youths who are clients of BCFR.  The funds provide support for administration, a job coach and wages for the youths hired, through the City’s C.A.R.E. program.  The mission of BCFR is to enable persons with developmental disabilities to progress toward normal living and to develop, as far as possible, their capacity, performances, and relationships with other persons.

The C.A.R.E. program’s mission is to provide employment placement and mentoring services for students, ages 15-19, who are at risk of unemployment or underemployment post-graduation.  BCFR has clients who are likely to benefit from this program.  With the additional funding, the City’s C.A.R.E. program will continue to accommodate up to 10 BCFR clients/students with developmental disabilities.

BCFR will provide $46,740 in annual support for the program, which includes a $612 increase over last year’s agreement to provide an adjustment for the increase in minimum wage effective in 2017 (from $7.65/hour to $7.70/hour).

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The cooperative agreement will provide an additional $46,740 in funding for the Parks and Recreation Department. This revenue will be allocated to the CARE program and will offset the cost of accommodating up to 10 clients of BCFR.

Long-Term Impact: None.

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

[Vision Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/CMS/vision/reports/visiongoals.php)

Primary Impact: Health, Social Services & Affordable Housing, Secondary Impact: Parks, Recreation & Greenways, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/city-manager/)

Primary Impact: Social Equity, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/community_development/comprehensive_plan/documents/ColumbiaImagined-FINAL.pdf)

Primary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Secondary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

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| Date | Action |
| 05/16/201607/06/201507/21/201408/19/201309/04/201208/01/2011 | Ordinance #22818 - Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department’s Career Awareness Related Experience (C.A.R.E.) Youth Employment program.<https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2705494&GUID=B544D204-C019-4225-A042-74F8EEF4CA18&Options=&Search=>Ordinance #22499 - Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department’s Career Awareness Related Experience (C.A.R.E.) Youth Employment program.<http://www.como.gov/Council/Commissions/downloadfile.php?id=17977>Ordinance #22136 - Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department’s Career Awareness Related Experience (C.A.R.E.) Youth Employment program.<http://www.como.gov/Council/Commissions/downloadfile.php?id=14346>Ordinance #21738 - Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department’s Career Awareness Related Experience (C.A.R.E.) Youth Employment program.<http://www.como.gov/Council/Commissions/downloadfile.php?id=10403>Ordinance #21413 - Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department’s Career Awareness Related Experience (C.A.R.E.) Youth Employment program.<http://www.como.gov/Council/Commissions/downloadfile.php?id=6197>Ordinance #21039, Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department’s Career Awareness Related Experience (C.A.R.E.) Youth Employment program.<http://www.como.gov/Council/Commissions/downloadfile.php?id=1209> |

Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into the agreement with Boone County Family Resources to provide funding and support for the C.A.R.E. program.