



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Manager

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 19, 2016

Re: A resolution transferring funds from the Council Reserve to the City Manager's Misc. Contractual budget for Job Point program funding assistance

Executive Summary

Approval of this resolution will transfer \$24,000 from Council Reserves to the City Manager's Miscellaneous Contractual budget in order to help fund the Job Point program outlined below.

Discussion

At the September 6, 2016 City Council meeting, Job Point President and CEO, Steven A. Smith approached Council to request \$24,000 of the remaining FY16 Council Reserves, to fund scholarships for students referred from the Boone County Circuit Court Alternative Sentencing Courts. The majority of these referrals are Columbia residents. While Job Point has worked with the courts for some time, they are now taking on a much more focused pilot referral program where the Court Commissioner will divert sentencing and directly refer the client to Job Point.

The client will initially receive 1-2 weeks of training in the Job Works program to assist clients in application, resume and interview preparation. Upon completion of that training, if the client has shown commitment to the program and additional training, the next step would be to enter a trade specific program lasting 16 weeks. Primary programs include heating, ventilation and air conditioning; highway and heavy construction; and construction and general carpentry. Specific certifications will be earned and each client will serve a 4 week internship. Job Point will then assist the client with obtaining and maintaining a job that fits their skills. The pilot program intends to provide services to 15-20 clients after which, Job Point plans to apply for longer-term funding.

At the end of the September 6th City Council meeting, Councilperson Trapp requested that staff take the appropriate steps needed to transfer the funds for this program, to which the City Council agreed. Staff has prepared the attached resolution to transfer the funds and will come back to Council at a future date to approve an agreement with Job Point.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Approval of this resolution will transfer \$24,000 from the Council Reserves to the City Manager's office for the purpose of financially supporting the Job Point program.
Long-Term Impact: None



Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Education, Secondary Impact: Health, Social Services & Affordable Housing, Tertiary Impact: Community Facilities and Services

Strategic Plan Impacts:

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

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
None	None

Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends adoption of this resolution to transfer the funds.