Department Source: Public Health and Human Services
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: June 16, 2025
Re: Renewal of agreement with the State of Missouri Children's Trust Fund for the Brighter Beginnings program.

Executive Summary

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a renewal of an agreement with the State of Missouri Children's Trust Fund for the Brighter Beginnings program.

Discussion

The Public Health & Human Services Department has been awarded a renewal of the Missouri Children's Trust Fund Collective Impact Grant to sustain and expand the Brighter Beginnings program. Brighter Beginnings is a collaborative of home visiting, social service, and healthcare providers that seeks to expand and simplify access to support for pregnant and parenting families in Boone County. City staff funded by the grant provide backbone support for the Brighter Beginnings collaborative.

The grant agreement is for a period of four years. This is the third renewal of the grant, for the period of July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026, in the amount of $128,850.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: This is ongoing grant funding. There is no impact to the general fund.
Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:
Primary Impact: Inclusive Community, Secondary Impact: Resilient Economy, Tertiary Impact: Safe Neighborhoods
Comprehensive Plan Impacts:
Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
07/05/2022	B186-22: Authorized the original agreement between the City of Columbia and the Missouri Children's Trust Fund for the Brighter Beginnings program. B186-22
06/17/2024	B135-24: Authorized renewal of a contractual services agreement with the State of Missouri Children's Trust Fund. B135-24

Suggested Council Action

Should the Council agree with the staff recommendation, an affirmative vote is in order.