

A RESOLUTION

BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF ATLANTA FROM A FOUNDATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000; TO SUPPORT CONTINUATION OF THE WOMEN FOR WOMEN PROGRAM TO PROVIDE INCARCERATED WOMEN AT THE ATLANTA CITY DETENTION CENTER WITH A SUPPORT PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES BOTH PEER AND PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT AND COUNSELING SERVICES TO ASSIST WOMEN IN THE DETENTION CENTER TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF DESTRUCTIVE BEHAVIOR, INCLUDING DRUG DEPENDENCY, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THEM WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO TURN THEIR LIVES AROUND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, intervention to treat the problems of offenders who contact the criminal justice system is critical to reducing recidivism and allowing the offenders to develop life choices that do not lead to criminal behavior, and

WHEREAS, the Women for Women program at the Department of Corrections has shown results that allow participants to effectively redirect their lives in a fashion that reduces recidivism and builds constructive lifestyles, and

WHEREAS, the Women for Women program fits the definition of a social entrepreneurship which qualifies for funding a major Foundation, and

WHEREAS, continuation of the Women for Women program will not only provide benefits to more program participants, but will also enhance the quality of life in the City and reduce the workload on the local criminal justice system by lowering recidivism rates

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Section one: that the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for and accept foundation funding to continue the Women for Women program at the Atlanta Department of Corrections.

Section two: that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute grant award documents related to this funding application.

TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO MAYOR'S OFFICE: Greg Pridgeon, Chief of Staff
(For review & distribution to Executive Management)

Commissioner Signature:  Director Signature: _____

Originating Dept: Judicial Agencies – Court Operations Contact Name: Krystal Smith

Committee(s) of Purview: Public Safety & Legal Admin. Committee Deadline: _____

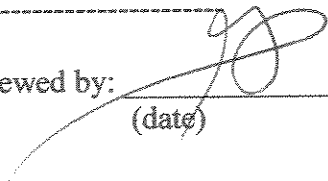
Committee Meeting Date(s): 3/10/09 City Council Meeting Date: 3/16/09


CAPTION

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FINANCIAL IMPACT: \$250,000

Mayor's Staff Only

Received by Mayor's Office: _____ Reviewed by: 
(date) _____ (date) _____

Submitted to Council: 2/24/09 
(date) _____