



# City of Kansas City, Missouri

## Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 231033

Submitted Department/Preparer: Health

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Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

### Executive Summary

Estimating revenue in the amount of \$42,000.00 in the Marijuana Sales Tax Fund; appropriating \$42,000.00 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance of the Marijuana Sales Tax Fund for the purpose of supporting Client Advocates in meeting the immediate needs of non-fatal shooting victims, families of homicide victims, those most likely to shoot or be shot, and those at risk for retaliation; designating requisitioning authority; authorizing the Director of the Health Department to negotiate and execute a contract with a fiscal agent to manage and disburse appropriated funds; and recognizing this ordinance as having an accelerated effective date.

### Discussion

Partners for Peace Client Advocates offer social services to individuals who are at high-risk to violence (i.e. non-fatal shooting victims, families of homicide victims, those most likely to shoot or be shot) to help them to obtain healthy and safe lifestyles. Currently, Partners for Peace Client Advocates work with KCPD and Missouri State Probation and Parole offices to identify individuals that are high-risk to gun violence. They also work with those who have survived gun violence as well as those who are the family members of homicide victims.

Client advocates assist individuals to get connected to needed services such as obtaining birth certificates, getting safe housing, enrolling in education, and getting employment. Some of our city's residents that are at the highest risk to violence have survived community and individual trauma and are deserving of resources and support. The client advocates help them transition to lifestyles that allow them to live and provide for their families in a way that is healthy and safe.

Many resources are needed when assisting clients. Clients may need to be relocated because they are in danger of violence, which may even warrant a bus ticket out of town or somewhere safe to stay until a plan can be created. Clients may have pressing medical needs that must be addressed before they can start new employment or may need items such as work shoes before their first day at their new job.

## Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget?  Yes  No

2. What is the funding source?  
Marijuana Sales Tax Fund.

The intent of the Marijuana Sales Tax is that 1/3 be used for Violence Prevention. This ordinance estimates revenue and appropriates the balance of Violence Prevention's allocation for Fiscal Year 2023-24.

Revenue: 2190-120000-451130  
Expenditure: 2190-501910-B

3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?  
Increases appropriation by \$42,000 in the Violence Prevention Fund and in revenue.

4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.  
Yes; N/A

5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?  
Yes it generates revenue

### Office of Management and Budget Review

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund.  Yes  No

2. This fund has a structural imbalance.  Yes  No

3. Account string has been verified/confirmed.  Yes  No

### **Additional Discussion (if needed)**

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## **Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact**

1. View the [FY23 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?  
Housing and Healthy Communities (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
  - Maintain and increase affordable housing supply to meet the demands of a diverse population
  - Broaden the capacity and innovative use of funding sources for affordable housing
  - Invest in neighborhood stabilization and revitalization to reduce blight, ensure sustainable housing, and improve the wellbeing of residents while sustaining their diverse cultures
  - Ensure all occupants of residences have quality, efficient, and healthy housing with minimal economic or regulatory barriers
  - Address the various needs of the City's most vulnerable population
  - Utilize planning approaches to improve the City's neighborhoods

## **Prior Legislation**

Ordinance 230720

## **Service Level Impacts**

Studies of violence have found that often a very small percentage of a population is responsible for the majority of its violent crime. Also, family members of homicide victims and nonfatal shooting victims are also at increased risk of violence. From July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023, twenty one individuals received case management services by two client advocates (one of whom was hired on July 31, 2023). By engaging those likely to shoot or to be shot with wraparound services, Partners for Peace Client Advocates seek to improve the health and safety of the city at large, but especially to bring equity to city residents that have suffered from historical trauma and disinvestment.

## Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?

A potential reduction in the level of violence or at least the prevention of an increase in the level of violence. The year 2020 had the most homicides in Kansas City, Missouri on record and our city is currently on track to have as many if not more homicides this year than in 2020. The Partners for Peace Client Advocates need a sufficient level of resources to effectively serve those that are at a high risk of shooting or being shot.

2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?

The Partners for Peace Client Advocates have been consulted concerning the needs of the clients that they serve.

3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?

Though the program focuses on changing the lifestyles of individuals, communities benefit from the program as well. As individuals transition to lifestyles that are at low risk to violence, they can encourage the families and others in their spheres of influence to as well.

Unfortunately, practices such as redlining, and segregation negatively affected economic opportunities of Kansas Citians of color. Sales of illegal guns or illegal drugs and other illegal activities became sources of income for some, putting communities and individuals at higher risks of violence. However, communities plagued by violence can be greatly assisted by helping a relatively small number of individuals that are at high risk to violence transition to low-risk lifestyles.

Funds are used to help clients get stabilized in low-risk lifestyles and once clients are stabilized, they become self-sufficient and create healthy support networks. Their needs from their client advocates change since the need for financial resources has largely been alleviated now that clients are no longer in survival mode but are learning how to thrive.

4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?

No (Press tab after selecting)

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5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)

Please provide reasoning why not:

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6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?

No(Press tab after selecting)