

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2014-0204

<p>Sponsored by: Councilmember Greenspan</p> <p>Co-sponsored by: Councilmembers Hairston, Miller, Conwell, Schron, Brady, Gallagher, Simon and Germana</p>	<p>A Resolution authorizing payments to Cuyahoga Community College and Cleveland State University, each in the amount of \$30,233.40, for scholarships for veterans residing in Cuyahoga County; authorizing the County Executive to negotiate and execute any necessary contract or other documents for same; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.</p>
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WHEREAS, Chapter 711 of the Cuyahoga County Code establishes the Veterans Services Fund, whereby the amounts appropriated and unspent by the Veterans Service Commission of Cuyahoga County are to be placed in a Veterans Service Fund and used to benefit veterans of the county; and

WHEREAS, \$282,334.00 has been deposited in the Veterans Services Fund from the 2013 appropriation for the Veterans Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, due to administrative issues, \$20,000.00 of the 2013 Veterans Services Fund originally dedicated to the Louis Stokes Veterans Affairs Medical Center Community Resource and Referral Center remains unused and has been returned to the Veterans Services Fund; and

WHEREAS, Section 711.03 of the Cuyahoga County Code provides that 20% of the funds available each fiscal year shall be used for a workforce development program, established by Council, to assist veterans with the costs of post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R2013-0086, Cleveland State University, Veterans Benefit Office and Cuyahoga Community College, Veterans Services & Program Office were each awarded \$73,330.00 of 2012 Veterans Services Funds for scholarships for veterans residing in Cuyahoga County; and

WHEREAS, those scholarships provided by Cleveland State University and Cuyahoga Community College have assisted over 320 veterans to afford their post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of a County agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The Cuyahoga County Council hereby authorizes the Fiscal Officer to make a one-time expenditure of available 2013 Veterans Services Funds in the total amount not-to-exceed \$60,466.80 for the following services or programs in the 2014 calendar year:

- 1) Cuyahoga Community College, Veterans Services & Program Office for scholarships for veterans residing in Cuyahoga County in the amount of \$30,233.40.
- 2) Cleveland State University, Veterans Benefit Office, for scholarships for veterans residing in Cuyahoga County in the amount of \$30,233.40.

SECTION 2. The County Executive is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute any necessary contract or other documents to effectuate the release of funds under the terms specified in this Resolution.

SECTION 3. Each of the recipients of Veterans Services Funds awarded pursuant to Section 1 of this resolution shall provide written reports to Council by January 30, 2015 and July 30, 2015, each summarizing the uses, amounts, and impacts of the distributed funds. Council may request additional information in the form of oral or written reports.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.


On a motion by Mr. Schron, seconded by Mr. Greenspan, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Conwell, Jones, Hairston, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Schron and Connally

Nays: None


County Council President

9-9-14
Date


County Executive

9/16/14
Date


Clerk of Council

9/9/2014
Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: August 26, 2014

Committee(s) Assigned: Finance & Budgeting

Additional Sponsorship Requested: August 29, 2014

Additional Sponsorship Requested: September 2, 2014

Additional Sponsorship Requested on the Floor: September 9, 2014

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