

## Staff Report

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**TO:** Mayor and City Council**FROM:** Councilor Steve McCoid, Ward 4**SUBJECT:**

Motion from Councilor McCoid regarding funding for the 100-Day Challenge to address youth homelessness in Salem

Ward(s): All Wards

Councilor(s): All Councilors

Neighborhood(s): All Neighborhoods

**MOTION:**

I move that the City Council

- 1) Authorize a grant of up to \$12,500 to provide start-up funding to the community group participating in the 100-Day Challenge to address youth homelessness in Salem, and
- 2) Direct staff to prepare a transfer resolution for the use of General Fund contingencies to fund the grant.

**DISCUSSION:**

Cities across the country have focused on the goal of preventing and ending youth homelessness in our communities by participating in a 100-Day Challenge. The 100-Day Challenge is an initiative designed by A Way Home America and Rapid Results Institute to support and guide communities in creating a coordinated community response system to care for homeless youth. A group has formed in Salem to participate in the 100-Day Challenge to find shelter for our homeless youth between the ages of 12-17. Deputy Police Chief Skip Miller and I serve with the group as City representatives.

Achieving this goal will require the collaboration of community service providers, governmental agencies and resources from faith-based and charitable organizations. As *Affordable Housing and Homelessness* has been adopted as priority in the Strategic Plan, I move that the City provide \$12,500 in start-up funding to assist with creating the foundation and connecting hub for stakeholders to build a system that will produce a measurable decrease in homelessness among the target group within 100 days of initiation.

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**Attachments:**

1. None
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