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CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

**OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION NO. 911743 C.M.S.**

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**RESOLUTION AWARDING A GRANT AGREEMENT TO COMMUNITY INITIATIVES FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027, FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVATION SERVICES RELATED TO OAKLAND'S CEASEFIRE-LIFELINE STRATEGY, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland's Department of Violence Prevention (DVP) is mandated to reduce gun violence, domestic violence, and commercial sexual exploitation in Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, the DVP participates in Oakland's Ceasefire-Lifeline strategy, a data-driven and evidence-based approach to reducing gun violence that involves providing intensive life coaching and violence interruption services to individuals at greatest risk of drawing or driving gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, following reinvestment in the Ceasefire-Lifeline strategy in early 2024, Oakland reduced shootings and homicides by over 30% in 2024 and by over 50% in 2025, as compared to 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the Ceasefire-Lifeline strategy, the DVP employs violence interrupters who leverage their lived experience and trusted relationships within communities impacted by violence to prevent gun violence and interrupt plans for retaliation; and

**WHEREAS**, the DVP desires to have its violence interrupters conduct community activations in neighborhoods throughout Oakland following multiple incidents of violence or during ongoing, high-risk conflicts; and

**WHEREAS**, these activations would involve violence interrupters having a physical presence in impacted neighborhoods and providing residents with tangible resources or opportunities for community gathering that support their efforts to mediate conflicts and prevent future violence; and

**WHEREAS**, the DVP requires a community partner to facilitate neighborhood activations through the procurement of food, coordination of activities, development of marketing materials, and performance of other operational tasks; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Initiatives serves as the fiscal sponsor of Town Nights, a program that partners with organizations and residents throughout Oakland to host community events that involve food distribution, recreational activities for residents of all ages, and resource provision; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this work is available in Project (1006367), Fund (1010), Fostering Safe and Healthy Communities Program (SC22), and Organization (70211) Violence Prevention: External Services through DVP general purpose funds contingent on adoption of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Midcycle Budget; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to execution, all agreements shall be reviewed and approved as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That Community Initiatives is hereby awarded a grant agreement in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for the term of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027, to fund community activations in response to violence as part of the City's Ceasefire-Lifeline strategy; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator is hereby authorized to extend, modify or amend this grant agreement, including increases within the City Administrator's purchase authority, without returning to Council consistent with the purposes of this Resolution.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,      MAY 19 2026

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROWN ✓, GALLO, HOUSTON, RAMACHANDRAN, UNGER, WANG AND  
PRESIDENT JENKINS - 7

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

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ATTEST:



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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California

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