



# City of Newark

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## Legislation Text

File #: 26-0157, Version: 1

**Dept./ Agency:** Administration/Office of Business Administrator

**Action:** (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending

**Type of Service:** Contract with Recipient

**Purpose:** To provide Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention in Youth Mentoring and/or Safe Passage.

**Entity Name:** United Community Corporation

**Entity Address:** 332 South 8th Street, Newark, NJ 07103

**Grant Amount:** \$100,000.00

**Funding Source:** 2026 Department of Administration / OVP Funds/Business Unit: NW011, Dept. 030, Div./Proj. 0312, Activity A, Account #96210, Budget Ref. B2026

**Grant Period:** Grant funds to be expended no later than November 30, 2026

**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor ( ) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS

(X) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions (X) RFP ( ) RFQ

( ) Private Sale (X) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient ( ) N/A

**Additional Information:**

This Resolution authorizes an Agreement for the provision of community-based violence intervention and prevention youth mentoring programs.

Date Advertised: June 24, 2025

Bids Downloaded: Sixty-Seven (67)

Bids Received: Thirty-One (31)

**WHEREAS**, violence is recognized as a public health problem, and is the leading cause of death in the United States for people ages 15-34; they are often the victims of unintentional injury, suicide, and homicide, which more often than not are directly associated with firearms; and

**WHEREAS**, violence is preventable, and with supportive relationships, programs and resources violent behaviors can be diminished and cycles of violence disrupted; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the violence prevention entities in Newark, which were formed to provide supportive social service programs to stem the increase in violence and violent crimes, and have had to provide more services with less resources as a result of loss of funding ; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the competitive contracting process of the State Local Public Contracts Law, as authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1b(2) (being the operation, management or administration of a social services program), and pursuant also to the fair and open process of State Pay-to-Play Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, the City of Newark ("City") publicly advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP), consistent with the City's violence reduction initiative, for the provision of community-based violence intervention and prevention programs in the following category: Community Violence Intervention and Prevention, on June 24, 2025, with all proposals due on July

15, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Council of the City of Newark (the “Municipal Council”) hereby ratifies the use of competitive contracting for processing these Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Programs from March 20, 2023 to the date of adoption of this Resolution and authorizes its use in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, the City received a total of thirty-one (31) proposals in response to its request with a due date of July 15, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal received from United Community Corporation, 332 South 8th Street, Newark, NJ 07103, hereinafter, “Recipient” was advantageous to the City, based on experience and all other criteria listed in the RFP; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to enter into an Agreement with the Recipient, for the purpose of providing Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention in Youth Mentoring for the contract period March 1, 2026 to November 30, 2026, for a total contract amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$100,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the Recipient has demonstrated that it has the expertise to provide Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention in Youth Mentoring services to meet this requirement; and

**WHEREAS**, this Agreement is awarded to the Recipient, in compliance with Local Public Contracts Law, including but not limited to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(b)(2) and/or N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Council adopted the State of New Jersey Pay to Play statutory requirements pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., governing the eligibility for municipal contracts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:**

1. The Mayor and/or his designee, and the Business Administrator, are hereby authorized to enter into and execute an Agreement with United Community Corporation, 332 South 8th Street, Newark, NJ 07103 (“Recipient”), for the period March 1, 2026 to November 30, 2026, to provide Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention in Youth Mentoring, which is further described in the “Scope of Services” attached hereto as Exhibit A (“Agreement”).
2. This Agreement is hereby ratified from March 1, 2026 to the date of adoption of this authorizing resolution.
3. The total compensation to be paid pursuant to said Agreement is One Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$100,000.00) and shall be paid from the Department of Administration Funding.
4. The Recipient shall use the funds they receive from the City’s Department of Administration

Funds to provide greater social services impacting and critical for violence prevention.

5. The terms of this Agreement may only be waived or amended in writing and signed by the parties duly authorized to execute this Agreement, subject to the approval of the Newark Municipal Council by Resolution. The term of this Agreement may be extended for up to two (2) 6-month periods, subject to the availability to funds and authorization, is authorized by resolution of the Municipal Council including a finding that the services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner, and is in writing and signed by both parties.
6. The Municipal Council ratifies the use of competitive contracting for processing and awarding Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Programs from June 12, 2025 to March 20, 2023.
7. This Agreement is being awarded pursuant to the fair and open procedures of the State Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, State Local Public Contracts Law, including but not limited to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(b)(2) and/or N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.
8. Pursuant to N.J.S.C. 5:30-5.5, attached hereto is Comptroller's partial certification of funds, which states that funds in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$50,000.00), are available in the 2026 Budget under Business Unit: NW011, Dep. 030, Div./Proj. 0312, Activity A, Account #96210, Budget Ref. B2026 in the aforementioned Administration/ Office of the Business Administrator Department Budget. All Certifications of Funds shall be filed along with the original Resolution in the Office of the City Clerk.
9. There shall be no advance payments pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16.
10. Recipient shall not receive any funding unless the Recipient has no outstanding charges due to the City of Newark.
11. An executed copy of said Agreement, Partial Certification of Funds, and additional required documents, shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk by the Business Administrator.

### **STATEMENT**

This Resolution authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee, and the Business Administrator, to enter into an Agreement with United Community Corporation, 332 South 8th Street, Newark, NJ 07103, using Department of Administration Funds, for the purpose of providing Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention in Youth Mentoring, for the period of March 1, 2026 to November 30, 2026, for a total contract amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$100,000.00).