

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 296

Approved June 25, 2005

WHEREAS, The Providence Neighborhood Community Centers, of which there are 10, have been receiving a grant award in the amount of \$30,000.00 per center each year for the past several years from the City of Providence budget; and

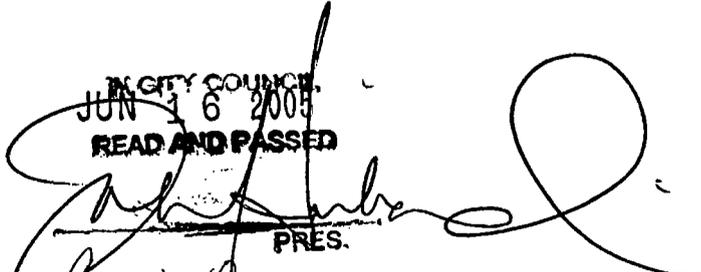
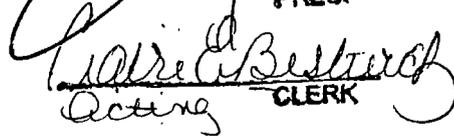
WHEREAS, In January of 2005, each center received a payment from the City in the amount of \$10,000.00, stating that this was the final payment of the fiscal year 2004-2005 award, for a total allocation of \$25,000.00; and

WHEREAS, The Community Centers had not been notified of the reduction of the grant award, even though they were six months into their fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, The allocation for the community centers for fiscal year 2005-2006 is set for \$25,000.00; and

WHEREAS, The Providence Neighborhood Community Center Association, Inc., is requesting this grant award be restored to the original award of \$30,000.00 per community center for fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby supports the request of the of the Providence Neighborhood Community Center Association, Inc., to the City of Providence Administration, to restore this very important grant award in the amount of \$30,000.00 per community center for fiscal year July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED

PRES.

Acting
CLERK

APPROVED

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MAYOR

Young.

Jackson, Councilman Romans, Councilman Lopez, Councilmen Williams
Butler, Leitch, Councilman Burgess Councilman Yarnall, Burgess,
Council President Thornbush, Councilman Gault, Sullivan and Mowbray, O'Brien



**PROVIDENCE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY
CENTER ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**42 Jillson Street
Providence, RI 02905**

June 6, 2005

Mr. John J. Lombardi, Esq.
City Council President
225 Broadway
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Council President Lombardi:

The Providence Neighborhood Community Centers, of which there are 10, have been receiving a grant award, in the amount of \$30,000 per center each year for the past several years, from the City budget.

In January, 2005, each center received a payment from the City in the amount of \$10,000, stating this was the final payment of the 04/05 award, for a total allocation of \$25,000. The community centers had not been notified of the reduction of the grant award, even though we were six months into the fiscal year.

We spoke with our many City Council representatives, as well as to the Mayor who sent correspondence to each center saying he would try to restore our allocations to our original award of \$30,000 by June, 2005. (Copy of letter enclosed).

Currently, we understand that the allocation for the community centers for FY05/06 is set for \$25,000. We have requested to meet with Finance Committee of the Council, to make them understand how important this grant is to our centers.

I am writing to you to ask your assistance in helping us have this upcoming grant award be restored to the original award of \$30,000 per community center, for fiscal year 7/1/05-6/30/06.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Frances Murphy, Chair
(461-6650)



Executive Office, City of Providence, Rhode Island

DAVID N. CICILLINE
MAYOR

February 7, 2005

Francis Murphy, Director
Washington Park Community Center
42 Jillson Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02905

Dear Ms. Murphy: *Fran*

On Friday, January 14, 2005 many community centers received a payment from the City of Providence in the amount of \$10,000 as the final disbursement for their total allocation of \$25,000 for Fiscal Year 2005.

Most community centers had individually received \$30,000 in previous Fiscal Years dating back several years. This year, however, there was a reduction in the amount of \$5,000 to this allocation, and no notification had been given to Center Directors regarding this decrease.

The Community Centers in Providence provide an invaluable service to a multitude of residents in this city, and are an essential part of the structure and character of our neighborhoods. I wanted to write and inform you that I will take all necessary actions to make the Community Center allocations whole. I fully anticipate that an additional \$5,000 allocation will be provided in the months of May and June, as Fiscal Year 2005 comes to a close.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact my Director of Community Relations, Gonzalo Cuervo, at 421-2489, ext 756.

I thank you for your understanding, and all the efforts of your center in making Providence a better place to live for the many residents who utilize your services and programs.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Cicilline", written over a circular stamp or mark.

David N. Cicilline
Mayor

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COMPANY: CITY COUNCIL OFFICE

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FAX NUMBER: (401) 421-6492

RE:

MESSAGE:

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
OR NEED FURTHER CLARIFICATION. THANK YOU.

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COUNCILMAN DELUCA	?			
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