

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
AUGUST 8, 2023 AGENDA**

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Action Required:</b>	<b>Approved By:</b>
<p>Authorization to enter into a contract with City Year, Inc., to provide single-point educational solutions to address school and/or student needs by providing the Whole School Whole Child Model, assisting students with academic and social-emotional needs.</p> <p><b>Submitted By:</b></p> <p>Community Programs Department</p>	<p>√ <b>Ordinance</b> Resolution</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>

<b>SYNOPSIS</b>	To authorize City Manager to enter into a contract with City Year, Inc., to establish an educational program whereby City Year AmeriCorps Members provide single-point solutions to address a school or student’s needs and designed to meet students’ academic and social-emotional needs by providing support at the individual student, classroom, and whole-school levels and to create school-wide learning environments.
<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>	The amount is not to exceed \$100,000.00, and funds are available through Community Programs Other Program Support, Account No 108159-S15C515.
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	Approval of the ordinance.
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	City Year’s mission is to advance educational equity and help students be supported on their journey to graduate from high school prepared for college and career. City Year will partner with key Little Rock schools challenged by systemic inequalities in the educational system to ensure that all students–have access to the resources and support that they need to reach their full potential.

**BACKGROUND  
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City Year will recruit, train and deploy AmeriCorps Members (ages 18-26) to serve students in the following Little Rock School District Schools: Chicot Elementary; Stephens Elementary; Mabelvale Middle; Cloverdale Middle; and J.A. Fair K-8 Preparatory.

In addition to the work in schools, City Year is also committed to developing AmeriCorps Members as the next generation of leaders. Because of their strategic approach to workforce development, 96% of AmeriCorps Alumni agree that their City Year experience had a significantly positive experience on their professional lives, with 82% saying that City Year increased the ways in which they remain civically engaged after their term of service. The City Year Service Experience is rooted in core building blocks that create a connected and intentional developmental experience that spans the service year, transitions into preparation for life after service, and supports a defined set of alumni pathways. As AmeriCorps members serve students in schools, they themselves build skills to become life-long leaders contributing to positive change in our communities. Through this program, City Year's goal is to prepare our AmeriCorps members to be the next generation of leaders who can work effectively across lines of difference.