

ORDINANCE NO.

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 38 - 2025

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APRIL 16, 2025

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AN ORDINANCE

Amending the 2025 Grant Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) from the PA DCED Local Share Account Grant. These funds are a pass-through grant that will support the Police Athletic League. The \$400,000 awarded in LSA funds will be used to rehabilitate the existing PAL Community Youth Education Center located at 2110 Park Drive in Allentown.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That City Council authorizes an increase to the Grant Fund in the amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) from PA DCED as follows:

<b>Grant Fund</b>		
<b>005-00-0000-0000-46213</b>	<b>State Funds</b>	<b>\$ 400,000.00</b>

SECTION TWO: That City Council authorizes a supplemental appropriation to the Grant Fund as follows:

<b>Grant Fund</b>		
<b>Community Development</b>		
<b>005-09-0901-0083-50048</b>	<b>Non-City Charges</b>	<b>\$ 400,000.00</b>

SECTION THREE: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FOUR: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

## Legislative Template

- **What department or bureau is this bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Department of Community and Economic Development. This Bill is the result of the successful application and award of the Local Share Account (LSA) grant for the Police Athletic League in Allentown, PA.

- **Summary and facts of the bill.**

The Police Athletic League (PAL) submitted a formal application to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), for which the City will serve as the Grantee. The \$400,000 awarded in LSA funds will be used to rehabilitate the existing PAL Community Youth Education Center located at 2110 Park Drive in Allentown.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - a. **What does the bill do? What are the specific goals or tasks the bill seeks to accomplish?**

This Bill distributes funds as specified within the LSA grant application and award regulations.

- b. **What are the benefits of doing this? What are the drawbacks?**

The PAL program experience provides youth with positive interactions with law enforcement and community non-profit organizations to facilitate leadership, social values, and citizenry among city youth. In addition, the PAL building serves as a training area for the adjacent Allentown Police Academy.

- c. **How does this bill relate to the City's vision/mission/priorities?**

The Allentown Police Athletic League provides mentorship, services, athletics, recreation, educational opportunities, and resources to youth living in the City of Allentown.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - a. **Cost (initial and ongoing)**

This is a PA Department of Community and Economic Development funded project, and all costs are covered by this grant. The total grant award is Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) to be allocated to the Grant Fund. All grant revenue will be appropriated to the Grant Fund, State Funds Grant Fund 005-00-0000-0000-46213-. The expenses will be appropriated to the Grant Fund, Community Development, Director-CED, Sustainability, Grant Non-City Charges 005-09-0901-0083-50048-.

- b. **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

The project benefits Allentown youth with development opportunities and the community with an active, positive resource for young adults.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
  - a. **If transferring funds, please make sure to give specific account names and numbers.**  
**If appropriating funds from a grant, please list the agency awarding the grant.**

This funding is coming from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED).

- **Priority status – Are there any deadlines to be aware of?**

None at this time.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

This Bill will provide a funding source for this grant allocation and allow the Allentown Police Athletic League to receive the \$400,000 awarded by the PA DCED. There is no financial impact to the City because this is a pass-through grant award.