

FACT SHEET**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA**

<u>TITLE</u> A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND THE PARISH OF CADDO RELATIVE TO THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAM AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.	<u>DATE</u> August 16, 2022	<u>ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT</u> Department of Community Development <u>CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT</u> City-wide <u>SPONSOR</u>
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PURPOSE

To authorize the execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Parish of Caddo relative to the Parish's funding of the City of Shreveport's Guaranteed Income Pilot Program in the amount of \$432,000.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Parish of Caddo desires to appropriate a total of \$432,000 to support the City of Shreveport's Guaranteed Income Pilot Program which will pay a random selection of up to 110 citizens at least \$600 per month to empower recipients to address their most urgent day to day needs. These monthly payments are intended to supplement rather than replace existing social safety nets. Additional funding in the amount of \$500,000 has been obtained from the Mayors for a Guaranteed Income Coalition (MGI) in the amount of \$500,000.

Support for this program was previously granted pursuant to Resolution 113 of 2021 of the Shreveport City Council. These funds will be deposited into the Special Revenue Fund for Community Development, who will oversee all expenditures and ensure that the goals of the program, including but not limited to data collection are achieved. Further, the Department of Community Development will partner with the United Way of Northwest Louisiana, who will serve as a third-party administrator of the program in conjunction with the Shreveport Financial Empowerment Center.

TIMETABLE

Introduction: August 23, 2022
Final Passage: September 13, 2022

ATTACHMENT(S)

Exhibit "A" Work Plan
Exhibit "B" Cooperative Endeavor Agreement

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

None

FINANCES

\$432,000

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Parish of Caddo

ALTERNATIVES

(1) Adopt the Resolution as submitted, or (2) Amend the Resolution, or (3) Reject the Resolution.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the Resolution.

FACT SHEET PREPARED BY: Thea R. Scott,
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Administration

RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF _____ 2022

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BY: COUNCILMEMBER

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana states, "For a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual"; and

WHEREAS, many residents of the City of Shreveport and surrounding areas have struggled to support themselves and their families, and the economic shock of the pandemic has left them more vulnerable than ever.

WHEREAS, nearly 40% of Americans could not afford a single \$400 emergency prior to the pandemic, and rising income inequality is compounded by an ever-growing wealth divide; and

WHEREAS, technology and automation are forecasted to further exacerbate the economic insecurities of working class Americans, potentially eliminating as much as 25% of the workforce; and

WHEREAS, providing an income floor through which no American family could fall will benefit individuals and communities both now and in the future; and therefore the City of Shreveport desires to initiate a pilot Guaranteed Income Program that offers a small group of low income single-parent families at least \$600 dollars a month for a year; and

WHEREAS, a guaranteed income would empower recipients to address their most urgent day to day needs and provide a cushion for unpredictable expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo desires to appropriate \$432,000 in support of the SGI program in accordance with the terms of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement which is attached hereto; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport, or his/her designee, shall be and is hereby authorized to do any and all things and to sign any and all documents, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, or his/her designee, necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein. Such documents shall include the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement annexed hereto as Exhibit B or a document substantially similar in form and substance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this Resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this

Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of Shreveport City Charter Section 4.23.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions, ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

THUS DONE AND RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office