

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Department of Community and Economic Development

Interoffice Memo

TO: J. William Reynolds, City Council President

FROM: Justin R. Poremba, Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development

RE: City of Bethlehem Support Resolution for Community Investment Partnership Program Grants through Northampton County

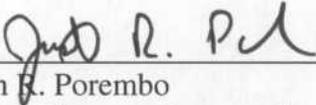
Attached is a resolution of city support for a grant application to Northampton County through the Community Investment Partnership Program, on behalf of the YWCA of Bethlehem is desirous of obtaining funds from NDCED in the amount of \$10,000 for *TechGYRLS*

Northampton County is requiring Community Investment Partnership Program (CIPP) grant applicants to submit general municipal support resolutions for all projects applying for CIPP funding. The purpose of the support resolutions is to make the municipality and its governing body aware of the entities applying for funds through the CIPP and to ensure there is general support for the project by the municipality. The municipality is not authorizing or directing the 3rd party organization to file a CIPP application. Finally, the municipality has no financial liability for the 3rd party application. (Please see attached memo from Mark Hartney, Community and Economic Development Administrator for Northampton County).

Please place this resolution on the August 18, 2015 City Council agenda for review and consideration.

CC: Mayor Donchez
City Council members
Atty. Spirk
Alicia Karner

DATE: August 12, 2015


Justin R. Poremba
Deputy Director, Community and Economic
Development

RESOLUTION NO. _____

City of Bethlehem Support Resolution

Resolution of the City of Bethlehem in support of the filing of a proposal for funds with the Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development (NCD CED):

WHEREAS, the YWCA of Bethlehem is desirous of obtaining funds from NCD CED in the amount of \$10,000 for *TechGYRLS*;

WHEREAS, the *TechGYRLS* program is an after-school technology education program for low-to-moderate income elementary and middle school girls. The program gives hands-on instruction in animation and robotics in an all-female, mentoring environment. *TechGYRLS* clubs meet two afternoons a week for about 1 – 1.5 hours. The program typically runs for 14 weeks a year, divided into two 7-week sessions. Activities in the curriculum range from drawing and animation to making and programming robotics objects. The target population for the *TechGYRLS* program is girls in grades 3-8 who attend school within the Bethlehem Area School District. We target students who come from underserved communities, including high poverty, ethnic and racial minorities, as well as disabled populations;

WHEREAS, as a condition to issuance of the grant funds to the grantee, the NCD CED requires a resolution by the local governing body supporting the proposed project and grant application.

WHEREAS, and in reliance thereupon, the County of Northampton, through its Community and Economic Development Administrator, has represented to the City that the City assumes no financial liability for the 3rd party application for Community Investment Partnership Program grant funds and the use thereof by a grantee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the City of Bethlehem is supportive of the proposed project and application for NCD CED funds.

Sponsored by _____

ADOPTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2015.

President of Council

ATTEST:



Mark Hartney
Administrator

COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Justin Poremba, Deputy Director, City of Bethlehem DCED

FROM: Mark Hartney

DATE: 8/11/2015

CC:

RE: CIPP Municipal Support Resolutions

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