



CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

City Council

AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA DATE: May 27, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Office of Community Safety and Empowerment

DIRECTOR or DESIGNEE: LaKenya Middlebrook

AGENDA SUMMARY

An Ordinance appropriating the sum of \$1,500.00 from the Community Safety and Empowerment budget and donating same to One Knoxville Collective in support of the East Knoxville Soccer Academy summer program.

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED

6th

BACKGROUND

One Knox Collective's (OKC) mission is to change lives through soccer. It is OKC's vision to provide soccer for all, removing any physical or socioeconomic barriers. Currently, soccer is based upon a pay-to-play model in the United States. This model excludes the most marginalized youth. The highest at-risk youth who would benefit the most from participating in the game are excluded due to high club, league, and team fees. OKC has a vision to disrupt this model and to offer programs within the most vulnerable Knoxville communities through a new program, the East Knoxville Soccer Club.

ESTIMATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

June 1 – July 31, 2025

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW

n/a

FISCAL INFORMATION

\$1,500.00 to be funded from 000100.011116.8950.0839 Office of Community Safety and Empowerment budget and administered by Office of Community Safety and Empowerment Staff.