

# Policy Briefing Summary

## City Council



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<b>Regarding:</b>	<b>Resolution to reallocate \$45,000 from the Council Strategic Initiatives Fund to support the Piedmont YMCA renovations project (1 of 2 readings)</b>
<b>Staff Contact(s):</b>	Samuel Sanders, Jr., City Manager
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<b>Date of Proposed Action:</b>	February 2, 2026

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### Issue

The YMCA is experiencing a critical need for support to resolve a matter of egress for the childcare center it operates at the Jefferson School City Center. State regulations now require the existence of egress from the space where children are served and this requires a physical adjustment to the space. The Jefferson School Foundation has approved the necessary renovations. The YMCA has been able to confirm plans for correcting the matter with the Building Official, who is obligated to enforce the statutes as approved. With a flexible timeline to date, the details have been confirmed, and most funding has been raised. There is still a need for \$45,000 to complete the renovations, which cost approximately \$145,000.

### Background / Rule

The City of Charlottesville, Virginia ("City"), contributes funding to many outside and non-profit agencies. Funding is typically awarded to an agency as part of the Annual Budget process. The amount of funding provided is most often based on a regional agreement or memorandum of understanding, or through an application process such as the Vibrant Community Fund, the Housing Operations and Program Support Grant Program, or the Charlottesville Affordable Housing Fund.

### Analysis

City Council has a discretionary fund from which it can allocate resources to address matters of significance that arise outside the budget planning process and eventual adoption of the fiscal year budget. Because childcare is a high priority area for the well-being of many in our community, this is an opportunity to allocate \$45,000 in one-time funds from the existing balance of \$390,635.68.

### Financial Impact

The attached Resolution seeks approval to allocate and spend funds that were previously appropriated as a discretionary fund to be used by Council as desired.

### Recommendation

City Staff recommends City Council adopt the attached Resolution.

### Recommended Motion (if Applicable)

Move to approve the appropriation of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) in one-time funding from City Council's discretionary fund to the Young Men's Christian Association of Central Virginia (YMCA), contingent upon the funds being used solely for Building Code compliance and required life-safety and egress renovations for the childcare center at the Jefferson School City Center.

**Attachments**

1. Council Strategic Initiatives Account Allocation\_YMCA Feb 2026