



# Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning & Economic Development - CPED

Date: February 17, 2015

To: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Chair, Community Development and  
Regulatory Services Committee

**Subject: Acceptance of funds from the Brooklyn Bridge Alliance for Youth to  
train and support Alliance staff members in customizing the STEP-  
UP Youth Employment Program model to the local needs of the Cities  
of Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park.**

**Recommendation:** That the proper city officials be authorized to enter into a contract with the Brooklyn Bridge Alliance for Youth for the implementation of the STEP-UP program model. A total of \$15,000 will be received for City staff to provide technical assistance for the period of January 6, 2015 to January 31, 2017. The dollar amount has already been appropriated into the 2015 budget.

**Previous Directives: None**

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**Reviews**

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval \_\_\_ Date \_\_\_ **N/A** \_\_\_\_\_
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval \_\_\_ Date \_\_\_ **N/A** \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial Impact**

- No financial impact

**Community Impact**

- City Goals – One Minneapolis
- City Goals – A hub of economic activity and innovation

**Supporting Information**

In order to develop Brooklyn Bridge Alliance for Youth’s organizational capacity to implement the STEP-UP youth employment program model, the Alliance is requesting technical assistance from the City of Minneapolis Employment and Training to customize the STEP-UP model to the local needs of the Cities of Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park. The objectives of the customization are to build an afterschool program that is a pathway to career and college, to build internships with local businesses, and to develop pre-employment training while coordinating already existing trainings.