

ORDINANCE 2021 – 12

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO
A SERVICE AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000 WITH
THE WARREN COUNTY ABUSE AND RAPE CRISIS SHELTER**

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the public interest to assist with the provision of education that supports healthy relationships and prevents domestic and intimate partner violence at home, in our schools and workplaces.

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that public support through City funding should be provided to Abuse & Rape Crisis Shelter/Violence Free Coalition of Warren County, a private non-profit organization and that such expenditure constitutes a valid public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the City Council understands Abuse & Rape Crisis Shelter/Violence Free Coalition of Warren County, supports survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking so that they can lead safe, healed, and empowered lives. They also are committed to creating a culture of non-violence by promoting primary prevention through education, building community resources, influencing system change, and community awareness.

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes Abuse & Rape Crisis Shelter/Violence Free Coalition of Warren County is also responsible for serving and reaching over 8000 individuals a year with direct trauma informed advocacy, support services, legal advocacy, shelter, therapy, prevention education and youth led initiatives.

WHEREAS, Abuse & Rape Crisis Shelter/Violence Free Coalition of Warren County understands that funds provided by the City of Mason will be used solely to further the organizations mission within the City of Mason and that such expenditure will result in a demonstrable benefit to the City of Mason that can be substantiated with evidence.

WHEREAS, the Abuse & Rape Crisis Shelter/Violence Free Coalition of Warren County will work collaboratively with the City to provide activities and events that educate the community about the value and beneficial support systems provided through the Abuse & Rape Crisis Shelter/Violence Free Coalition of Warren County Programs & Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a service agreement attached as Exhibit “A” in an amount of \$8,000 in support of its programs in the interest of the City of Mason and its citizens.

Section 2. That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to pay the Warren County Abuse and Rape Crisis Shelter an amount not to exceed \$8000 pursuant to the terms of the attached service agreement.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest possible date allowed by law.

Passed this 25th day of January, 2021.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council