

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2-50 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by adding new Article III, as follows:

ARTICLE III: GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME PROGRAM

2-50-210 Purpose and intent.

This Article shall be known and may be cited as the "Guaranteed Basic Income Ordinance" ("GBI Ordinance"). It is the purpose of this Article to establish a guaranteed basic income program to: (i) promote the general welfare of Chicago residents; (ii) create improved outcomes for children and their families; and (iii) stimulate economic activity in Chicago.

2-50-220 Definitions.

As used in this Article, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Department" means the Department of Family and Support Services.

"Guaranteed Income Payments" means payments paid directly to eligible residents under the Program.

"Program" means the recurring payment program implemented by this Article.

"Recipient" means an eligible City resident who has been selected to receive Guaranteed Income Payments.

2-50-230 Program application required.

To be considered for the Program, Chicago residents shall submit an application to the Department in a form prescribed by the Department. Timely submission of the application does not guarantee selection for receipt of Guaranteed Income Payments. Applications that contain incomplete or inaccurate information will be rejected.

2-50-240 Program eligibility.

(a) The purpose of the eligibility criteria under this Section is to ensure that Guaranteed Income Payments go to low-income City residents to stimulate the local economy and improve outcomes for children and their families.

(b) In order to be determined eligible for the Program, applicants shall demonstrate that:

(1) they are a Chicago resident who has at least one dependent: (A) who is enrolled in Chicago Public Schools, or (B) who is not yet the minimum age to attend Chicago Public Schools;

(2) they have a household income at or below 300% of the federal poverty guidelines; and

(3) they are not employees of or elected officials of the City of Chicago or the State of Illinois.

(c) Except as otherwise required by law, the Department shall not consider or require disclosure of an applicant's (i) criminal record or criminal history or (ii) citizenship or immigration status when determining eligibility for the Program.

2-50-250 Verification of eligibility, selection of Recipients, and recertification.

(a) The Department shall review all applications for completeness and accuracy, and shall determine whether applicants are eligible for Guaranteed Income Payments. From the pool of eligible applicants, the Department shall randomly select Recipients of Guaranteed Income Payments.

(b) Recipients will receive Guaranteed Income Payments until they are no longer eligible under the Program except that for recertification, Recipients may remain eligible provided their household income remains at or below 350% of the federal poverty guidelines. Recipients shall recertify their eligibility in the Program annually in order to continue receiving Guaranteed Income Payments. The Department shall send each Recipient notice of the requirement to recertify eligibility at least 60 days prior to the deadline for recertification. Failure to timely recertify will remove a Recipient from the Program, but shall not prohibit such individual from applying for the Program in the future.

(c) Whenever a Recipient ceases to receive Guaranteed Income Payments under the Program, the Department shall select new Recipients from the current pool of eligible applicants on a rolling basis.

2-50-260 Guaranteed Income Payments.

Recipients will receive monthly Guaranteed Income Payments in an amount not to exceed \$500. The Department shall deliver Guaranteed Income Payments to Recipients on a prepaid debit card and in a manner that prioritizes payment security and minimizes the need for additional actions by the Recipients.

2-50-270 Return of Guaranteed Income Payments made to recipients later deemed ineligible.

In addition to any penalties for submitting a false statement to the City under Chapter 1-21, the Department may use any legal means to recapture Guaranteed Income Payments from Recipients who knowingly misrepresent any material information in their application to the Program, or who violate any laws or rules governing the Program, provided, however, notwithstanding anything in Section 1-21-010(a) to the contrary, the Department may not seek to recover any amounts in excess of twice the total amount of Guaranteed Income Payments paid to a Recipient, plus the City's litigation and collection costs and attorney's fees.

2-50-280 Effect on eligibility for other programs.

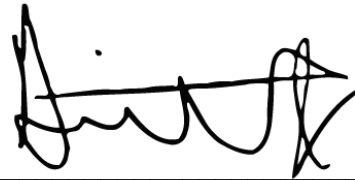
To the extent permitted by law, no payments under this Article shall affect any Recipient's eligibility, and no such payment shall be taken into account when determining any Recipient's income level or assets, for any current or future City, State, or federal program or benefit

administered by the City which is based upon income level or assets, including eligibility for any affordable housing benefits, to rent any income-limited dwelling unit under the applicable Affordable Requirements Ordinance, or any future reparations to descendants of enslaved Africans.

2-50-290 Annual Program funding.

The appropriations available to fund the Program during each fiscal year shall be not less than \$30,000,000.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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GILBERT VILLEGAS
Alderman, 36th Ward