

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE.

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the Mayor and the Finance Committee that the City participate in the Neighborhood Alliance Senior Enrichment Services' Home-Delivered Meals to address the health and social services concerns of its residents aged 60 years and older; and

WHEREAS, Council, coming to consider said agreement, has determined that it is acceptable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF AVON LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:

Section No. 1: That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Neighborhood Alliance Senior Enrichment Services' Home-Delivered Meals to be effective January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, for the annual cost of \$69,000.

Section No. 2: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees, which resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section No. 3: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 12/08/2025

/s/ Jennifer G. Fenderbosch
Council President

POSTED: 12/12/2025

APPROVED: 12/09/2025

ATTEST: /s/ Valerie E. Rosmarin
Clerk of Council

/s/ Mark A. Spaatzel
Mayor

Child Enrichment Services • Family Support Services • Senior Enrichment Services • Shelter and Emergency Services

September 17, 2025

Honorable Mark Spaetzel
Mayor of Avon Lake
150 Avon Belden Road
Avon Lake, OH 44012

Dear Mayor Spaetzel,

Neighborhood Alliance has been compassionately caring for the community since 1927. We are helping our community grow stronger by caring for our clients' most basic needs. We provide emergency shelter, homeless outreach, daily meal delivery, nutrition services including an emergency food pantry and socialization activities for seniors, childcare and child enrichment programs, and access to family support programs such as Help Me Grow for those in need. We are empowering the people of our community with the tools to create a better life for themselves. With our inspired mission of strengthening neighborhoods, we continue to expand programs and services to address the diverse and changing needs of families and individuals in Northeast Ohio.

Neighborhood Alliance offers comprehensive services to meet the basic needs of individuals at every stage of their lives. We have provided Senior Meals since the late 1980's. In 2025 from January 1, 2025 through August 31, 2025 we provided 138,490 meals across Lorain County to 1100 individuals on 12 delivery routes. Our staff drivers develop strong relationships with the meals recipients and often may be their only contact with the outside world.

To enable us to continue delivery to the City of Avon Lake as part of the Northeast Delivery Area of Lorain County, we have enclosed the 2026 Agreement for Services that Neighborhood Alliance Senior Enrichment Services Home Delivered Meals program will provide for older adults in your community. In the Agreement, we are indicating an estimated maximum contract amount of \$69,000. Invoices will be sent at the end of each quarter for actual meals provided.

The 2026 Agreement amount for services is estimated based on historical usage by your city over the past year. While we maintained per meal cost over the past few years, rising expenses have made it necessary to adjust the pricing. The new cost per meal is \$4.50.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the older members in your community; we are honored to enter this partnership. Please feel free to contact me at aliciaf@myneighborhoodalliance.org or 440-396-8777 or Diane Dye, CFO at dianed@myneighborhoodalliance.org if you have any questions, concerns or to further discuss our partnership in providing services for the older adults living in your community.

Sincerely,



Alicia Foss, President and CEO

Enclosure



AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made and entered into by the City of Avon Lake and Neighborhood Alliance Senior Enrichment Services Home Delivered Meals (HDM) to be effective from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. Subsequent renewal will be negotiated on an annual basis.

Whereas, it is the desire of the City of Avon Lake to address the health and social services concerns of its constituents, especially older adults (60+) living in the community, the City of Avon Lake enters into this Agreement with Neighborhood Alliance to manage and provide services, primarily Home Delivered Meals but also including information, assessment and support services as requested by constituents. Additionally, Neighborhood Alliance will continue to work with the City of Avon Lake to avoid a waitlist for services based on funding availability.

In consideration for these services, the City of Avon Lake agrees to pay Neighborhood Alliance quarterly for home delivered meals as part of the *Northeast Home Delivered Meals Program*, provided to the older adults of the City of Avon Lake. Invoices will be sent by the end of the month following the end of the quarter and continuing for each quarter through the year (April, July, October, and January 2027). The annual cost for the City of Avon Lake is estimated at \$69,000 based on historical data; meals will be provided at \$4.50 per meal.

Neighborhood Alliance will provide the City of Avon Lake with an annual service report prepared and delivered in January 2027 along with the final 2026 invoice.

Neighborhood Alliance does not discriminate against any applicant for employment or service on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, or age.

City of Avon Lake

Neighborhood Alliance

Honorable Mark Spaetzel, Mayor

Alicia Foss, CEO Neighborhood Alliance

Date

Date

9/18/25