



Agenda Item Summary

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Alachua County Foster Grandparent Notice of Grant Award

Presenter:

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Description:

Alachua County has received a Notice of Grant Award from the Corporation of National Community Service, a federally funded agency, in the amount of \$434,172.00 to continue the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP). The Performance Period is for three years from 04/01/2022 to 03/31/2025. This is the third year, and the budget period of the grant is 7/01/2024-06/31/2025. This will be a 12 month budget cycle following the State Fiscal Year.

Recommended Action:

Accept the Foster Grandparent Program Notice of Grant Award, in the amount of \$434,172.00 to continue the Foster Grandparent Program and provide County cash match funding in the amount of \$108,563 per grant fiscal year, approve the Resolution and approve the attached Budget Amendment.

Prior Board Motions:

Item 22-0283 on 4/12/2022 to accept new 3 year award

Fiscal Note:

GL Accounts: 019.29.2956.331.6900 019.29.2956.564 various accounts Project #2242901 Grant \$434,172 and Project #2242902 County Cash Match \$108,563 Total-\$542,735

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

The Corporation of National and Community Service (CNCS) mission is to engage Americans of all ages and backgrounds in community-based service that improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement. The Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) is an intergenerational program first established in 1965 that connects volunteers to support children who with special and exceptional needs academically and socially. CNCS awards federal FGP grants on a competitive basis to eligible public agencies. As a sponsor of the grant, Alachua County is responsible for fulfilling project management to accomplish the goals established by CNCS. Alachua County is also required to contribute at least 10 percent of the total project cost. Since 1973, the program has been a great asset

to the community and students of Alachua County. The Foster Grandparent Program is designed for citizens of Alachua County ages 55 and up to be a positive role model and provide one on one academic assistance to special and exceptional needs students. Currently, there are 39 low-income seniors enrolled in the program. The Foster Grandparent Program volunteers work with children within Alachua County public schools, local charter schools, Early Learning Coalition, child care centers, and after school programs.