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Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

Gun Violence Prevention Grant Evaluation Team Recommendation for Awards - RFA 25-44-PM

Presenter:

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Description:

Applications were submitted in response to a Request for Applications (RFA) 25-44-PM Gun Violence Prevention Grant Initiative. A Grant Review Committee recommends funding the following entities and projects:

Applicant	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Strong-MINDed Mentoring Inc	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
The Black On Black Crime Task Force	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Star Center Theatre	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
League of Women Voters Alachua County	\$9,800.00	\$9,800.00
Total Life Productions LLC	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Gladden Boxing Club	\$10,000.00	\$200.00

The total amount of funding recommended is \$50,000.00.

Recommended Action:

Approve the recommendations of the Grant Review Committee and authorize the County Manager to execute agreements with the entities on behalf of the County.

Prior Board Motions:

On 8/13/24 the board approved the scope and integrated application for the RFA and delegated authority to the County Manager to appoint Grant Review Committee members.

Fiscal Note:

There is \$50,000 available in account 001.29.2973.569.82.00 Aid to Private Organizations for these Gun Violence Prevention Grant awards.

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

Alachua County has declared gun violence to be a public health crisis and has adopted the public health model approach to mitigation. The Gun Violence Prevention Grant Initiative (GVPG) is intended to support organizations that provide prevention and intervention activities using the public health model to address risk and protective factors to prevent gun violence. The Board previously appropriated \$150,000.00 of funding for gun violence prevention initiatives, matching a \$150,000.00 appropriation from the City of Gainesville, and \$250,000.00 from the Children's Trust of Alachua County. This initiative utilizes \$50,000.00 of County General Funds to make awards.

A grant review evaluation team comprised of County staff reviewed 15 applications. In applying the evaluative criteria outlined in the RFA each reviewer independently scored the applications. On 02/14/25 a public meeting was held where the evaluation team members discussed their scoring. One adjustment was made and the team finalized its award recommendation as outlined above.