



Community Resource Center

Willie Mae Stokes Community Center

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BoCC Motion/Discussion

December 10, 2024: To discuss community centers in a broad conversation as several of them are struggling in the current economy

Community Resource Center Definition

A public location where members of a community gather for group activities, social support, public information, and other purposes. They may be open for the whole community or for a specialized subgroup within the greater community. Community centers can be religious in nature, such as Christian churches, Islamic mosques, Jewish synagogues, Hindu temples, or Buddhist temples; though they can also be secular and in some cases government-run, such as youth clubs or senior centers.

Community Resource Centers Surveyed

- City of Alachua Recreation and Culture Department- Hathcock Community Center
- City of Archer-Ollie Mae Robinson Senior Center
- City of Newberry-Martin Luther King Community Center
- City of Waldo Community Center
- Community Impact Corporation
- Deeper Purpose Community Church, Inc
- Hawthorne Area Resource Center, Inc.
- Partnership for Strong Families- Library Partnership
- Partnership for Strong Families-Southwest Advocacy Group (SWAG) Resource Center
- Pleasant Street Civil Rights and Cultural Arts Center Inc-One Community Family Resource Center
- The Willie Mae Stokes Community Center



The Willie Mae Stokes Community Center

355 NW 6th Ave, Micanopy, FL 32667

Monday- Friday 10:00am to 6:00pm

Target Population

Children, Adults, Senior Citizens, Veterans

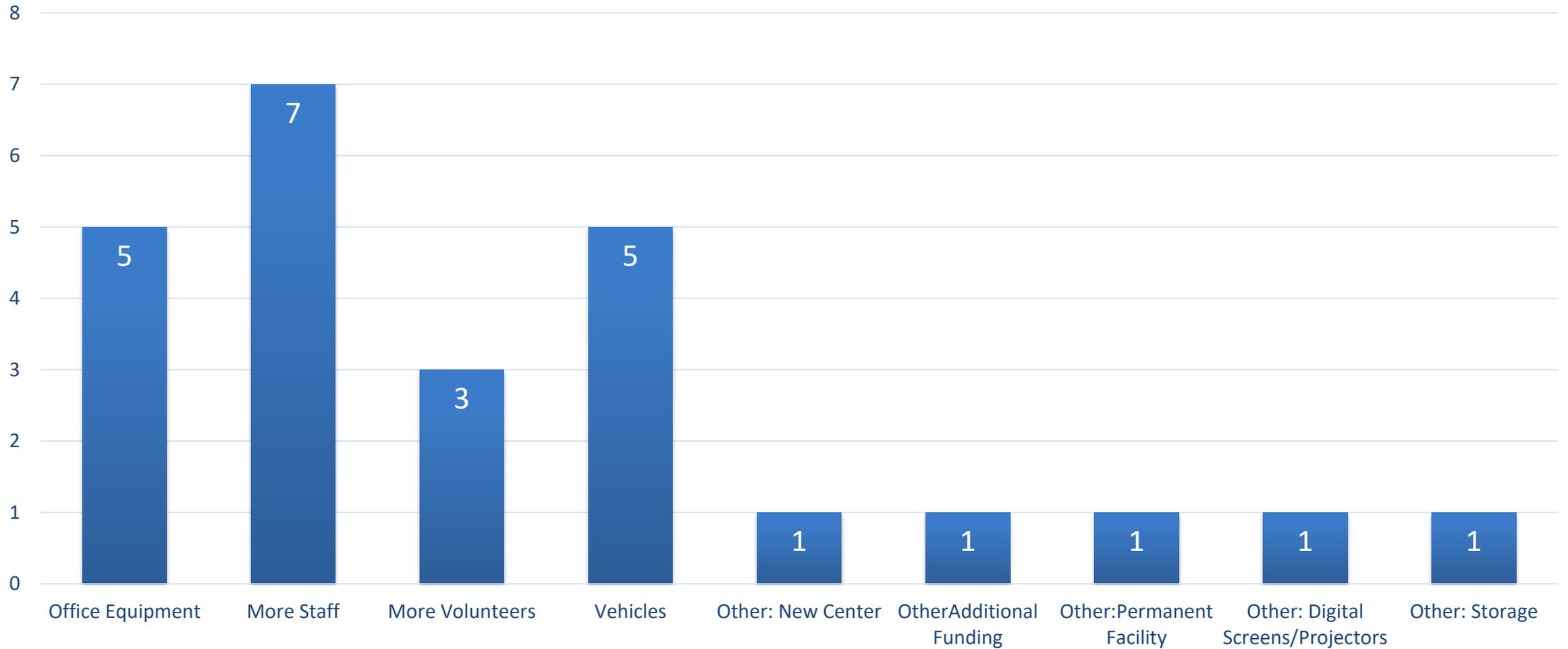
Program Service Highlights

Food Assistance, Utility Assistance,
Referral Services to Other Organizations,
Afterschool Programs, Community
Education/Workshops, Healthcare Support,
Transportation Assistance

Areas of Need

Funding for rental/utility assistance, New programs/services, More staff, Vehicles, Building repairs

Community Resource Center Needs



Community Resource Guides

- [United Way 211](#)
- [FindHelp.org](#)
- [Bread of the Mighty “Find a Food Pantry” Site](#)
- [Alachua County’s Housing Resources Virtual Map](#)

April 1, 2025 Board Motion

1. That staff identify for the Commission of the list which of these entities are municipally run versus run by nonprofits and/or volunteers, 501c(3) and provide that back to the Commission by email is fine.
2. Request any operating budgets that May or May not exist relating to these entities and provide that back to the Commission by email is fine.
3. That the Commission refer to staff to work with the Community Foundation and the Children's Trust and develop recommendations with regards to both the amount and a method or process for potential funding in fiscal year 2025-2026.
4. Staff be utilized to help these organizations gather that information.
5. Explore opportunities to utilize surplus and government access to resources and software for support of these centers.
6. Bring back recommendations for support of a community wide resource guide that works.