



Agenda Item Summary

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Interlocal Agreement between Alachua County and the School Board of Alachua County for the operations of emergency shelters

Presenter:

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Description:

This agreement outlines the responsibilities of the Alachua County Board and of the School Board of Alachua County (SBAC) with regards to emergency shelters in school facilities

Recommended Action:

Approve the agreement between Alachua County and the School Board of Alachua County

Prior Board Motions:

At the July 8, 2025 the Board approved the First Amendment (Item #25-00547)

Fiscal Note:

Reimbursement of SBAC expenses is outlined in the agreement, as well as the option to use SBAC employees as “shelter workers” which is a cost that would be picked up by the County.

Strategic Guide:

Public Safety

Background:

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) and the SBAC entered into an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) in 2015 to outline roles and responsibilities regarding emergency shelters in School Board facilities. Since 2015, the relationship between Alachua County BoCC and SBAC with regards to sheltering has become increasingly collaborative. This new agreement is reflective of the ongoing partnership between the County and the SBAC and is the culmination of many years of shelter activations for hurricanes and lessons learned.

The previous ILA was recently extended to allow for time to get this agreement finalized. The previous agreement was a 10-year agreement