Broward County



Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

<u>Director's Name:</u> Bertha Henry <u>Department:</u> County Administration

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO APPROVE designation of Hope for Haiti as the recipient of Broward County employee payroll donations collected by the County for the 2021 Haiti Earthquake relief effort.

Why Action is Necessary

Requires Board authorization for the collection and distribution of funds designated for the Haiti Earthquake relief effort.

What Action Accomplishes

Provides a method for Broward County and its employees to support the Haiti Earthquake relief effort.

Is this Action Goal Related

Νo

Previous Action Taken

Summary Explanation/Background

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTION.

As discussed by the Board on August 18, 2021, the County Administrator provided for an optional employee payroll deduction, as permitted pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 112.171, to allow employees to donate toward Broward County's coordinated response to support the relief effort related to the 2021 Haiti Earthquake.

During the discussion, there was a request for an alternate entity be considered the recipient of funds collected through the optional employee payroll deduction.

This item, if approved, would designate Hope for Haiti as the recipient of the funds collected through this optional employee payroll deduction.

Hope for Haiti is a 501(c)(3) organization comprised of members from Haiti and the United States with a mission to reduce poverty by working with community leaders in rural areas in five key program areas: education, healthcare, infrastructure, access to clean water, and economic opportunity. With over three decades of experience in emergency preparedness and response in

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southern Haiti, they are well-positioned to use their resources to help make a difference. Their team lives and works in the communities they serve, and is made up of Haitian doctors, nurses, program managers, and others dedicated to improving their own country. Hope for Haiti has a four-star rating (out of four) by Charity Navigator, a leading independent rating agency for nonprofit financial transparency and accountability. More information on Hope for Haiti can be found at https://hopeforhaiti.com/.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

Not applicable.