



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Keith D. Bostick (Deputy Director)

Department: Human Services

Division: Elderly & Veterans Services

Information

Requested Action

A. MOTION TO APPROVE Agreement JA121-15-2021 between the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc., and Broward County, effective retroactively from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, in the amount of \$36,518 to provide caregiver training and support services to eligible seniors; authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute same; authorize the County Administrator to execute amendments to the Agreement, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney, that do not change the scope of services substantively or impose additional financial obligations on the County; and authorize the County Administrator to take all necessary administrative and budgetary actions to implement the Agreement.

(This item was pulled by Commissioner Rich.)

ACTION: (T-10:30 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 7-0. Commissioner Furr voted in the affirmative telephonically. Commissioner Rich abstained from voting. Commissioner Ryan was not present.

ACTION: (T-10:49 AM) Through Mayor Geller, Commissioner Ryan requested being shown voting in the affirmative.

VOTE: 8-0.

B. MOTION TO ADOPT budget Resolution No. 2021-441 within the Older Americans Act Title III E Fund to appropriate revenue in the amount of \$36,518 for caregiver training and support services, of which \$32,866 are grant funds and \$3,652 are the grantor's match dollars.

(This item was pulled by Commissioner Rich.)

ACTION: (T-10:30 AM) Approved. (Refer to minutes for full discussion.)

VOTE: 7-0. Commissioner Furr voted in the affirmative telephonically. Commissioner Rich abstained from voting. Commissioner Ryan was not present.

ACTION: (T-10:49 AM) Through Mayor Geller, Commissioner Ryan requested being shown voting in the affirmative.

VOTE: 8-0.

Why Action is Necessary

A. Agreements with external agencies require approval by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners (“Commission”).

B. Section 129.06(2)(d), Florida Statutes, requires a budget resolution to recognize revenue.

What Action Accomplishes

Motions A and B provide funding for caregiver training and support services to eligible seniors.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

None

Summary Explanation/Background

THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE ELDERLY AND VETERANS SERVICES DIVISION RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE ACTIONS.

These actions support the Commission’s value of "approaching human services collaboratively and compassionately, with special emphasis on the most vulnerable," and the goal to "effectively advocate for and acquire municipal, state, and federal financial support to equitably address health and human services needs of the entire community, through a truly coordinated system of care." This Agreement funds caregiver training and support services to Broward County residents who are family caregivers of eligible seniors or eligible grandparents who are family caregivers.

The effective date of this Agreement is retroactive due to ongoing contract negotiations related to language and finalization of documentation. The first draft was received from the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc., (“Council”) on February 23, 2021, however it was sent back and forth between agencies due to needed revisions; the attached was approved by the Council, the Human Services Department and the office of the County Attorney between June and August 2021.

The Elderly and Veteran Services Division (“EVSD”) has served as the lead agency for aging services in Broward County since 1985. Through this Agreement, EVSD will provide caregiver training and support services to Broward County residents, under Title III E of the Older Americans Act ("OAA"). Preference will be given to those with the greatest economic and social need, particularly people whose self-reported income is in the lowest income bracket, historically marginalized populations, and those with limited English proficiency. Priority will also be given to family caregivers who provide in-home care for residents with Alzheimer’s disease or related disorders.

Although no specific target outcomes are required, EVSD will document the percentage of caregivers who self-report being confident about their ability to continue to provide in-home care after service intervention.

Funding for this Agreement is supported by OAA Title III E dollars distributed locally by the State of

Florida Department of Elder Affairs through the Council and by the Council's match dollars.

The Council is acting on behalf of the State of Florida. This Agreement (Exhibit 1) is in the Council's format and was reviewed and approved as to form by the Office of the County Attorney. The Council will sign last following the Commission's approval.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

This Agreement does not require any cash or in-kind match from Broward County.