Broward County



Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Tim Garling (Deputy General Manager)

Department: Transportation

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO APPROVE Trip & Equipment Grant Application and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Application and Agreement with the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (FCTD) for State Fiscal Year 2023, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney, in the total grant amount of \$5,831,148, which includes State funding to the County in the amount of \$5,248,034; authorizing County Matching funds (10%) in the amount of \$583,114; authorizing the County Administrator to provide additional information as requested, and to take any necessary administrative and budgetary actions to implement the Agreement.

Why Action is Necessary

Pursuant to Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, Broward County, as the designated Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) for the Broward County service area, is required to provide "non-sponsored" transportation disadvantaged services to eligible individuals.

What Action Accomplishes

Secures continued state funding for transportation disadvantaged trips, pursuant to Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, provided by the County's paratransit service.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

None.

Summary Explanation/Background

THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTION.

This item supports the Board's Value of "Cooperatively Creating an Efficient and Accessible Regional Intermodal Transportation Network".

As background, the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (FCTD) was created by the 1989 Florida Legislature to coordinate federal, state and locally funded transportation disadvantaged services, and to administer the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund (TDTF). The purpose of the TDTF is to provide a dedicated funding source for the operational and planning expenses of the FCTD in carrying out its legislative responsibilities, and to provide transportation opportunities for non-sponsored transportation disadvantaged citizens. "Transportation

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disadvantaged" means those persons who because of physical or mental disability, income status, or age are unable to transport themselves or to purchase transportation and are, therefore, dependent upon others to obtain access to health care, employment, education, shopping, social activities, or other life-sustaining activities, or children who are handicapped or high-risk or at-risk as defined in Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Chapter 427, Florida Statutes, Board of County Commissioners (Board) was originally designated the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) for the Broward County service area in August 1990. Broward County, in its role as the CTC, serves the needs of transportation disadvantaged persons through the Transportation Department's Paratransit Division.

The program runs on the State Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023) and funding for the provision of non-sponsored transportation disadvantaged services is \$5,248,034, which requires a total County match of \$583,114. The total grant amount is \$5,831,148. The application package (Exhibit 1) includes the Trip & Equipment Grant Application, Service Rates.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

State Fiscal Year 2022-2023 funding for the provision of non-sponsored transportation disadvantaged services is \$5,248,034, which requires a total County match of \$583,114, which is budgeted within the Transportation Department budget.