

Alachua County CARES Act Update



October 6, 2020

Recommended Changes - Individuals

- \$21.1 million allocated
- Proposing raising caps for all rounds

R1 Cap	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,500
R2/3 Cap	\$ 1,600	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,000
Increment	\$ -	\$ 2,849,871	\$ 4,393,228	\$ 5,263,006
Est Total	\$ 15,652,192	\$ 18,502,063	\$ 20,045,420	\$ 20,915,197
# Incremental	3,991	1,021	528	275
Immediate \$	\$ -	\$ 962,972	\$ 1,471,438	\$ 1,748,318



Recommended Changes - Business

- \$5 million allocated
- Proposing raising caps for all rounds

R1 Cap	\$ 15,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 30,000
R2 Cap	\$ 6,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,000
Increment	\$ -	\$ 690,179	\$ 1,378,239	\$ 2,057,582
Est Total	\$ 2,875,593	\$ 3,565,772	\$ 4,253,832	\$ 4,933,175
# Incremental	206	85	66	73
Immediate \$	\$ -	\$ 275,532	\$ 477,027	\$ 642,154



Recommended Changes - Government

- Supervisor of Elections - \$181,500
 - Vote-by-mail support
 - Existing grants will be used first
 - Funding from Contingency
- Children's Trust of Alachua County - \$216,630
 - Learning pods through December 2020
 - Funding from:
 - Contingency - \$201,630
 - Officer/ACLD/Children's Trust Allocation - \$15,000



Recommended Changes – NFP Program

- Not-for-Profit Program - \$6 million
 - Funding from Contingency
 - Funding not-for-profit organizations whose primary purpose is providing direct services to vulnerable populations in Alachua County
 - Eligibility determined by the Community Foundation of North Central Florida
 - Legally incorporated, IRS 501(c)(3) organizations providing services in Alachua County since before January 1, 2019



Recommended Changes – NFP Program

- Not-for-Profit Program - \$6 million
 - Maximum award of \$250,000 per entity
 - Reimbursement based for March 1 – Sept 30, 2020 costs
 - Advance awards for Oct 1 – December 15, 2020 costs
 - Awarded entities will be subrecipients and will be required to sign subrecipient agreements



Recommended Changes – NFP Program

- Not-for-Profit Program - \$6 million
 - Eligible expenses will be those directly related to or increased by the pandemic:
 - Direct operating and personnel costs for COVID-19 mitigation
 - PPE, disinfecting, physical barriers, touchless devices, new items in packaging, disposable food delivery, training and health testing
 - Capital improvements related to protecting residents/program participants
 - including add'l cold weather sheltering costs/facilities
 - Costs to transition services to virtual or to support program participants/residents to virtual programming
 - increased internet, training, and related equipment



Recommended Changes – School Board

- School Board of Alachua County - \$3 million
 - In addition to existing \$750,000 previously funded
 - Request received for \$13.21 million
 - Recommending funding \$3 million for:
 - \$1.3 million category 2 – HyFlex teacher training/equip
 - \$1.7 million category 3 – Nonbudgeted COVID-related
 - PPE, laptops, hotspots, training, eSchool teachers, custodial
 - \$3 million funding from contingency recommended
 - Option to reallocate \$1M each businesses & individuals



Recommended Changes – Working Food

- Forage Inc, DBA Working Food - \$60,000
 - Purchase and delivery of food to low income residents
 - County deeming necessary due to increased food costs
 - Funding from County’s share of Food Delivery to Residents
 - Advance funding with requirement for receipt submittal
 - New subrecipient agreement
 - Remaining County allocation will be used to purchase food to replenish the food bank through CSS



Item for Discussion

- Purchase of housing for the most vulnerable homeless population - \$2.5 million
 - Existing motel with ability for quick repurposing
 - Separate housing for each individual
 - Similar program in Anchorage challenged but supported by Treasury, awaiting official guidance
 - Not recommended, however could be funded from:
 - County's share of Homeless Care - \$251,100
 - Not for Profit Program - \$2,248,900



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- First quarterly report submitted timely
- First 25% - \$11 million update
 - \$7 million spent, \$4 million remaining
- First amendment for next 20% advance - \$9.4 million
- Eviction avoidance program being developed by CSS using separate SHIP CARES Act funding



Recommendations

- Individual Assistance cap changes
- Business Assistance cap changes
- Require return of signed subrecipient agreements from municipalities, School Board, and other government partners by October 31
- Request expenses through Sept 30 and estimates through December to be submitted by October 31
- First meeting in November to reallocate based on spending through date



Recommendations

- Approve reallocations and new programs:
 - Forage Inc, dba Working Food* \$60k advance funding
 - Supervisor of Elections* \$181,500
 - Children’s Trust of Alachua County* \$216,630
 - School Board of Alachua County** \$3 million
 - Not for Profit Program* \$6 million

* new subrecipient agreement required

** amendment to subrecipient agreement required



Recommendations

- Approve findings of necessity due to the COVID-19 public health emergency for enhancing food availability to residents specifically and for all parts of the Alachua County CARES Act plan as approved and amended generally
- Approve State of Florida first amendment
- Approve amendment to CRI engagement letter
- Approve drafting and signature of subrecipient agreements
- Approve MOU drafting and signature with Community Foundation of North Central Florida

