

# CAPP Policy Discussion

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#### **Mission Statement**



Building partnerships to facilitate resiliency, social equity, sustainability, and self-sufficiency for Alachua County residents in order to alleviate and prevent generational poverty

#### **BoCC Prior Motions**



5/14/19-At an upcoming policy meeting in the summer, we look at the list of mental health, homelessness, CAPP, and any other community support requested by organizations and have a cumulative policy discussion.

#### **Prior Motions-Continued**



9/17/19-Commissioner Byerly moved to refer staff to analyze whether it would be more effective for the County to make whole contributions to fewer organizations (thus forming more intensive relationships with fewer groups) or to award partial requests and spread the funds over more organizations. In addition, staff are to examine the CAPP process with an eye toward giving everyone an equal shot at funding.

# **Funding Allocation by Priority**



#### **Capp Currently Funds Programs in 5 Priority Areas**

Priority	Percentage of Total Funding
Children's Education (Ages 6-18)	25%
Child Safety (Ages 6-18)	11%
Disabilities/Health Maintenance	21%
Homeless Housing	19%
Hunger Relief	12%
Senior Citizens	12%

# **CAPP Unspent Funds**



Each fiscal year a portion of the CAPP total funding allocation remains unspent

FY17 \$65,000

FY18 \$127,000

FY19 \$121,660

For FY20, there is currently a projected surplus of \$83,865.90

# **Poverty Alleviation**



- CAPP funds are intended to provide funding for programs that alleviate poverty in Alachua County.
- According to poverty indicators found in Florida Charts and Kids
  Count data provided by the Annie E Casey Foundation, the
  poverty rate in Alachua County has declined slightly since the
  most recent previous recession.
- This is also true of the state as a whole, and can be attributed to a variety of factors.
- Recent exponential unemployment will reverse this trend.

# **Poverty Statistics**



#### 2018 FL CHARTS Data:

 21.8% of Alachua County residents live at or below 100% of the federal poverty level vs. 14.8% of Florida residents

20.5% of those in poverty in Alachua County are aged 17 and younger

# Potential Strategies for CAPP Funding Revision



- 1. Fund more programs; establish a maximum award per agency
- 2. Mid-year reallocations of unused funding from previous fiscal year
- 3. Revise current CAPP funding priorities
- 4. Coordination with the Children's Trust to award programs identified in CTAC's needs assessment
- 5. Award leveraged grants or seed money

#### 1. Increase Agency Participation



#### **Fund more Programs**

Impose a maximum award level

Limit the number of awards per agency

#### 2. Mid-Year Allocations



Mid-year reallocations of unused funding from previous fiscal year and/or use a "hold-back" in funding

- Awards for Innovative Ideas
- One-time grants for programs that may not fit a multi-year contractual approach
- Capacity-building for successful programs

#### 3. Widen the Focus



- Family Stability: housing, financial education and stability, job training and education, local food programs and initiatives, rural transportation
- Mental Health: increase treatment and education programs, mental health first—aid
- Aid for Disabled Citizens: independent living, educational scholarships, vocational training
- Aid for Seniors: Fraud and Exploitation Prevention, Aging in Place

#### 3. Narrow the Focus



#### Revise/refocus current CAPP funding priorities

- Reduce the number of funding priorities, re-evaluate each funding cycle
- Fully fund one program per priority
- Fund fewer programs at full request

# 4. Coordinate Funding



# Coordinate funding for children's programming with the Children's Trust

- CAPP has historically funded children's programs at an average of 25% of the total allocation
- Coordinate with the Children's Trust to award funding based on their needs assessment
- Explore coordination with CTAC, Community Foundation, and United Way. Create a common application portal

# 5. Encourage Success



#### Award leveraged grants or seed money

- Award funding to agencies that leverage funding by collaboration and use of volunteers
- Provide seed money for new programs by agencies with past proven successes

#### **Additional Consideration**



### **Change the Grant Program Name**

Community Agency Partner Program may no longer accurately reflect the goals of the allocation

#### **Suggestions:**

- Alachua County Equity and Sustainability Program
- Alachua County Innovation and Resiliency Program
- Alachua County Equity and Resiliency Program

### **Policy Discussion**



- 1. Continue current CAPP process to support community programs; make no changes
- 2. Revise CAPP process to fund more programs (maximum award, limit programs per agency)
- 3. Mid-year allocation for new initiatives and capacity-building
- 4. Revise/reduce current CAPP funding priorities
- 5. Collaborate and coordinate with other funders
- 6. Award leveraged funding and/or seed money