



## Legislation Text

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**Agenda Item Name:**

Foster Grandparent Program Notice of Grant Award

**Presenter:**

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**Description:**

Alachua County has received a Notice of Grant Award from the Corporation of National and Community Service, a federally funded agency, in the amount of \$421,467 to continue the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP). The Performance Period is for three years from 04/01/2019-03/31/2022. The Budget Period of the grant is 04/01/2020-03/31/2021.

**Recommended Action:**

Accept the Foster Grandparent Program Notice of Grant Award, in the amount of \$421,467 to continue the Foster Grandparent Program. Provide County cash match funding in the amount of \$108,563 per grant fiscal year and approve the Resolution and Budget Amendment.

**Prior Board Motions:**

N/A

**Fiscal Consideration:**

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Project Code 2202902 Grant \$421,467 and Project Code 2202903 County Cash Match \$108,563  
Total \$530,030.

**Background:**

The Corporation of National and Community Service (CNCS) mission is to engage Americans of all ages and backgrounds in community-based service that improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement. The Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) is an intergenerational program first established in 1965 that connects volunteers to support children who with special and exceptional needs academically and socially. CNCS awards federal FGP grants on a competitive basis to eligible public agencies. As a sponsor of the grant, Alachua County is responsible for fulfilling project management to accomplish the goals established by CNCS. Alachua County is also required to contribute at least 10 percent of the total project cost. Since 1973, the program has been a great asset to the community and students of Alachua County. The Foster Grandparent Program is designed for citizens of Alachua County ages 55 and up to be a positive role model and provide one on one academic assistance to special and exceptional needs students. Currently, there are 65 low-income seniors enrolled in the program. The Foster Grandparent Program volunteers work with children within Alachua County public schools, local charter schools, Early Learning Coalition, child

care centers, and after school programs.