



## Legislation Text

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**Agenda Item Name:**

CARES Act Plan

**Presenter:**

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**Description:**

CARES Act Plan detailed application criteria and process for distribution

**Recommended Action:**

1. Approve the application processes and criteria for awarding CARES funds to eligible applicants (individual, business, and Category 1-4 Government Agencies)
2. Authorize a \$5 Million inter-fund loan from the General Fund for the reimbursement share of the funding and limit the County's exposure to the \$5 Million.
3. Adopt the Resolution for Unanticipated Revenue and Budget Amendment to align expenditures with the proposed plan.
4. Approve the Addendum to the consultant (CRI) to obtain services of a call center for the expected high initial call volume.
5. Authorize the Manager to move funds within Categories 1-4 to better match the needs of other Government agencies without reducing their overall allocation.

**Prior Board Motions:**

Commissioner Cornell moved the following: Passed 5-0

Approve Staff Recommendations 1 through four with the following amendments:

1. Approve of the expenditure of CARES Act funds as outlined in this CARES Act Plan which were not budgeted as of March 27, 2020;
2. Approve the use of a third party administrator to implement programming and monitor funds for the programs outlined in this plan;
3. Approve the Resolution and budget amendment for unanticipated revenues and budget amendment to receive and account for these funds
4. Authorize the execution of Sub recipient Agreements by the Chair with any entity or agency receiving funding from the County

Amendments:

- Reallocate 10 million in third bullet Small Business Back to Work Grants with 2.5 to small business for a total of 7.5 million for small business the remaining 7.5 million to individual assistance for a total of 21.1 million in funding.
- Include that assistance for complying with the County Public Health Ordinance is an eligible expense and asks that the Companies warrant that they are complying with the County Execute Order.
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- 5. Staff to work with all stakeholders' utilities, landlords, etc. to get the word out to citizens regarding the County's Assistance Program. The intent is to work with all agencies to get the word out for bills to be paid and the Chair is authorized to sign Chair Letters to assist with the effort.
- 6. Provide an update at the first meeting in August and all subsequent meetings in August of the funding program for the Board to determine if it wishes to reallocate.
- 7. Report to the Board on the July 14, 2020 meeting on the Code Enforcement activities of County staff and each of the municipalities' enforcement activities.
- 8. Allow for individuals to apply for up to \$5,000.00 and cap the award at \$2,500 per household for the initial round.

**Fiscal Consideration:**

All of the Funds will be covered by funding of the CARES Act from the State of Florida, however, 25.2 Million (75%) will be on a reimbursement basis. OMB & F&A will monitor available cash during October and November prior to property tax collections.

**Background:**

All of the background information is in the attachments and related files listed.