

Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Funding Agreements with Fifteen Community Agencies for the Social Action Funding program.

Recommended Action:

Approval and execution by the County Administrator of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Social Action Grant Funding Agreements with fifteen (15) community agencies.

- Pinellas County Human Services administered a competitive, online grant application process for FY23 Social Action Grant Funding.
- The grant solicitation opened on April 1, 2022, and fifty-seven (57) applications were received.
- An amount not to exceed \$1,551,000.00 in funding is available; this is the same amount as FY22. Individual awards range from \$35,000.00 to \$150,000.00.
- On September 22, 2022, the Board approved sixteen (16) community agencies for Social Action Grant Funding with programming in the areas of food/nutritional services, homeless prevention and supportive services, healthcare and human services for disadvantaged residents and supportive services for an aging population. Fifteen (15) of these agreements are ready for signature at this time. Salvation Army has an out of state signatory and due to this delay, it will be brought forward at a later date

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

- 2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community
- 2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need
- 2.4 Support programs that seek to prevent and remedy the causes of homelessness and move individuals and families from homelessness to permanent housing

Summary:

On September 22, 2022, the Board approved sixteen (16) community agencies for Social Action Grant Funding with programming in the areas of food/nutritional services, homeless prevention and supportive services, healthcare and human services for disadvantaged residents, and supportive services for an aging population. Fifteen (15) agreements are being brought for signature in this item. Salvation Army has an out of state signatory and due to this delay, it will be brought forward at a later date. The grant awards will be for a one-year (1) project period.

Background/Explanation:

Social Action Grants are available to qualified non-profit social service organizations desiring to provide services to homeless and low-income residents of Pinellas County to address their health, economic and social well-being. Pinellas County Human Services administered a competitive, online application process for Social Action Funding through Neighborly Software. The grant solicitation was posted on April 1, 2022, and a standard application form was used to promote effective review and scoring. The County funding priorities for Social Action Grants are food/nutritional services, homeless

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prevention and supportive services, healthcare and human services for disadvantaged residents and supportive services for an aging population. Organizations were eligible to apply for funding between \$10,000.00 and \$150,000.00.

Fifty-Seven (57) applications were received, and sixteen (16) community agencies were recommended for funding through the Social Action Grant Program. A diverse review committee of community partners scored the applications and developed funding recommendations for consideration and was approved by the Board on September 22, 2022.

Pinellas County Human Services is working with the agencies to develop performance outcomes and reporting guidelines.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding in an amount not to exceed \$1,551,000.00 has been budgeted in the Human Services Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) proposed General Fund budget.

The individual funding amounts are as follows:

Abilities, Inc. of Florida dba ServiceSource	\$77,000.00
Bay Area Legal Services, Inc.	\$35,045.48
Boley Centers, Inc.	\$63,750.00
Community Health Centers of Pinellas, Inc.	
dba Evara Health	\$150,000.00
F.E.A.S.T., Inc.	\$78,456.00
Florida Dream Center, Inc.	\$74,995.00
Healthy Start Coalition of Pinellas, Inc.	\$77,800.00
Homeless Leadership Alliance of Pinellas, Inc	:\$128,979.00
Local Community Housing Corporation	\$51,191.00
Metropolitan Ministries, Inc.	\$88,850.52
Pinellas Ex-Offender Re-Entry Coalition, Inc.	\$150,000.00
Seniors in Service of Tampa Bay, Inc.	\$99,934.00
Society of St. Vincent DePaul	
South Pinellas, Inc.	\$150,000.00
The Bethel Community Foundation, Inc.	\$75,000.00
The Salvation Army of St. Petersburg	\$99,999.00*
WestCare GulfCoast-Florida, Inc.	\$150,000.00

^{*}To be brought for signature as a separate Legistar item.

Delegated Authority:

Authority for the County Administrator to sign this Amendment is granted under Code Section 2-62 (a)(1).

Staff Member Responsible:

Karen Yatchum, Director, Human Services

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Partners:

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Society of St. Vincent DePaul South Pinellas, Inc.

The Bethel Community Foundation, Inc.

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Attachments:

Award Summary

Funding Agreements (15)