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PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: September 9th 2014 Consent Regular

 Workshop Public Hearing

Department: Office of Equal Opportunity
Submitted By: Office of Equal Opportunity
Submitted For: Handicap Accessibility and Awareness Grant Program

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: Mutual Use Agreements for grants in a total amount not to exceed \$ 24,905.13 for the Handicap Accessibility and Awareness Grant Program with the following non-profit agencies, in the amounts and for the services indicated for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015

- A. **The Arc of Palm Beach County, Inc.** funds will be used to purchase food and other related supplies for the food service component of the Career Transition Program and art supplies for the Artisan Program to give participants (aged 18 and older) an opportunity to utilize their creative talents to produce unique pieces of art, in an amount not to exceed \$2000.
- B. **Florida Outreach Center For The Blind, Inc.** funds will improve marketing and expand outreach into the Palm Beach County community through better presentations of the program in large group settings and also generate educational and informational literature to reach more people with disabilities. Office storage, classroom equipment and instructional aides, as well as, supplies for the annual outreach events in the Palm Beach County, necessary to fulfill the curriculum and educate the community will be purchased, in an amount not to exceed \$4949.13.
- C. **Palm Beach Habilitation Center, Inc.** funds will be used to install an automatic main entrance door to the Career Development Building, for persons using wheelchairs and ambulation devices, and install an accessible shower, in an amount not to exceed \$5000.
- D. **Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.** funds will improve access to services for people with disabilities by providing quarterly disability compliance training to members of the community and service providers, to further the goal of inclusion for people with disabilities in Palm Beach County, in an amount not to exceed \$2000.
- E. **Jeff Industries, Inc.** funds will enhance accessibility services for persons with disabilities by extending the computer network systems in the Amigos Drop-in Center. Two computers, printer, large video monitor, and furniture will allow persons with disabilities to access career websites, community resources and educational training videos, not to exceed \$3500.
- F. **Foundcare, Inc.** funds will improve the physical accessibility of the main building by installing two DuraSwing door openers, not to exceed \$4956.
- G. **National Federation of the Blind Florida, Inc.** Palm Beach Chapter funds will support the purchase of a wireless microphone to convey loud and clear information to persons with disabilities during monthly meetings. Funds will assist with booth rental at The South Florida Fair to continue the mission of educating the public on blindness and to partially cover the cost of registration, lodging and transportation for (15) people to attend the (2015) convention of the National Federation of the Blind, taking place in Orlando, Florida, July 1-6, at the Rosen Centre Hotel, not to exceed \$2500

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Background and Justification: (Continued on page 3).
Attachments:

- 1. Mutual Use Agreement
- 2. Proposal Fact Sheet Response
- 3. Certificate of Liability Insurance
- 4. Ethics Advisory Opinion dated September 14, 2011

Recommended by:  22 August 2014.
Department Director Date

Approved by:  9/2/14
Assistant County Administrator Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	24,905.13	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
NET FISCAL IMPACT	24,905.13	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Is Item Included in Budget? ^{Proposed} Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					

Budget Account No.: Fund 1250 Agency 400 Org 4251 Object 8201

Reporting Category _____

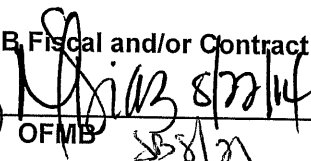
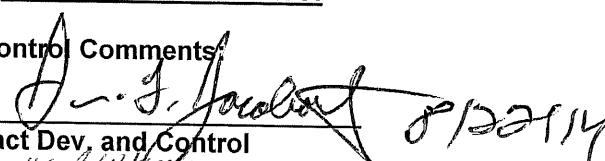
B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

The funds for this grant are derived from fines collected from parking violations in designated disabled parking spaces. County Ordinance 92-29 provides that revenue from these fines shall be used to improve accessibility and equal opportunity to qualified physically disabled persons in the County and to provide funds to conduct public awareness programs concerning physically disabled persons.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

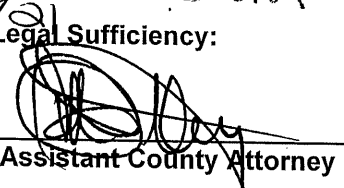
III. REVIEW COMMENTS:

A. OFMB, Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

OFMB *8/21/14*
 Contract Dev. and Control *8/22-14 B.W. Heger*

B. Legal Sufficiency:



Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

_____ Department Director

THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT.

Summary: The funds for this grant are derived from funds collected from parking violations in designated parking spaces. County Ordinance 92-29 provides that revenue from these fines shall be used to improve accessibility and equal opportunity to qualified physically disabled persons in the County and to provide funds to conduct public awareness programs concerning physically disabled persons. Mr. William Lapp has disclosed that he serves on the board of directors for the non-profit Florida Outreach for the Blind, Inc., in which his wife is the executive director. Disclosure of this relationship is being provided in accordance with the provision Sect. 2-443 of the Palm Beach Code of Ethics. Mr. Lapp requested an advisory opinion from the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics (COE) regarding his eligibility to serve on the Committee. On September 14, 2011, the COE opined that Mr. Lapp is not prohibited from serving on the Committee, but must: 1) disclose the nature of his conflict before the Committee discusses the issue; 2) abstain when the vote takes place and not personally participate in the matter; and 3) file a state voting conflict form. A copy of the advisory opinion is attached. Mr. Lapp has agreed to and has complied with the COE direction. (Countywide) (DRO)

Background and Justification: On October 20, 1992, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 92-29, known as the Palm Beach County Physically Disabled Parking Ordinance. Section 3A-1 of this Ordinance provides that two-thirds of the fines collected for parking in designated disabled parking spaces, shall be used to provide accessibility and equal opportunity to qualified physically disabled persons in the County, and to provide funds to conduct public awareness programs concerning physically disabled persons. On November 1, 1988, the BCC adopted Resolution No. R88-1929 which created the Office of Equal Opportunity Handicap Accessibility and Grant Review Committee. This Committee reviewed proposals submitted by non-profit organizations in conformance with the Ordinance and established program guidelines. The Grant Review Committee and the Office of Equal Opportunity concur on the funding recommendations and funding amount.