

PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: August 25, 2020 [X] Consent [] Regular [] Workshop [] Public Hearing

Department: County Administration Submitted By: County Administration Submitted For: Office of Community Revitalization

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to:

A) approve the following agreements (Agreements) to implement various community improvement projects and initiatives through the Office of Community Revitalization's (OCR) Neighborhood Engagement and Transformation (NEAT) Grants Program for a total of \$149,500:

- 1. an Agreement with Cabana Colony Residents League, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$15,500 for an address plaque project (\$6,000); and an address yard sign project (\$9,500);e
2. an Agreement with Limestone Creek Advocates, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$18,000 for a park enhancement project (\$8,000); and Life Safety and Emergency Preparedness project (\$10,000); e
3. an Agreement with Cannongate Property Owner's Association, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$30,000 for a security enhancement project (\$10,000); a parking restriping project (\$10,000); and a bulletin board project (\$10,000);e
4. an Agreement with Community Faith Outreach Ministries, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000 to purchase items for a community garden expansion project;e
5. an Agreement with Country Club Acres Association Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$20,000 for a welcome wall and lighting project (\$10,000); and a lighting and landscaping project (\$10,000);e
6. an Agreement with Student ACES, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000 for a high impact security floor project;e
7. an Agreement with The Arc of the Glades, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$6,500 for a utility trailer project;e
8. an Agreement with Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office in an amount not-to-exceed \$19,500 for a multipurpose trailer project (\$9,500); and a community equipment project (\$10,000);e
9. an Agreement with Paint Your Heart Out Palm Beach County, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000 for a painting and beautification project; and e
10. an Agreement with Rebuilding Together of the Palm Beaches, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000 for a home repair project;e

B) delegate authority to the County Administrator or designee to approve minor changes to the scope of work of these Agreements that do not increase the awarded grant funding.

Summary: The NEAT Grants Program was established by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) on March 13, 2018 to provide funding for eligible neighborhood improvement projects and initiatives proposed in neighborhoods located within unincorporated Palm Beach County and the Lake Region municipalities, with funding priority given to Countywide Community Revitalization Team (CCRT) neighborhoods. A NEAT Agency Review Committee, comprised of representatives from the Planning, Zoning and Building Department, Engineering, Land Development, Purchasing, Parks and Recreation, Emergency Management, Public Affairs, the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, and Risk Management, was formed to review the applications and recommend projects for funding. The committee evaluated the 35 applications received and recommended 16 projects for funding in an amount totaling \$149,500. This agenda item includes 10 Agreements for the recommended 16 projects. The projects will be completed in FY 2021 and include a variety of activities. Staff is requesting BCC approval of the Agreements and related funding. Staff is also requesting that the BCC delegate authority to the County Administrator or designee to approve minor changes to the scope of work which do not increase the total amount of the awarded grant funding. Countywide (HH)

Background and Justification: See Page 3.

Attachments:

- 1.e Neighborhood Engagement and Transformation (NEAT) Grants Program - Recommended Projects For Funding
2.e Grant Agreementse

Recommended by [Signature] OCR Director Date 7/16/2020
Approved By: [Signature] Assistant County Administrator Date 7/29/20

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Capital Expenditures	\$149,500				
Operating Costs					
External Revenues					
Program Income(County)					
In-Kind Match(County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT	\$149,500				
#ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (CUMULATIVE)					

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No
 Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes No

Budget Account No.:

Fund Agency Unit Object
 1401 610 6203 8201 NEAT Grants

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact: Any remaining or unused Project funds will be transferred back to the account.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: *[Signature]*

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

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

[Signature] 7/21/2020 *[Signature]* 7/27/2020
 OFMB (20) 7/21 Contract Dev. and Control
 7/27/2020

B. Legal Sufficiency:

[Signature] 7-28-2020
 Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director

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Background and Justification: The Neighborhood Engagement and Transformation (NEAT) Grants Program provides funding to neighborhood based groups and/or organizations for projects that improve the quality of life in their communities. By offering financial assistance, training, and technical support, the NEAT Grants Program enables residents to develop small collaborative grassroots community projects, and see their ideas through to completion. NEAT Grants are available for projects located within unincorporated Palm Beach County and the Lake Region municipalities of Belle Glade, South Bay and Pahokee. Priority funding will be given to projects that are proposed for designated CCRT areas. The NEAT Grants Program provides reimbursable grants of up to \$10,000 per project application to individuals, neighborhood-based groups and/or organizations for projects and initiatives that promote neighborhood improvement, beautification, community identity, community engagement, help reenergize existing organizations and/or create new ones, and develop safe and healthy neighborhoods.

In May of this year, the OCR and NEAT Agency Review Committee evaluated and recommended 16 of the 35 applications that were submitted for the NEAT FY 2021 funding cycle. Applications submitted from the same organization were consolidated into one agreement. Sixteen projects are recommended for funding in this agenda item, in an amount totaling \$149,500. The projects will be completed in FY 2021 and consist of various activities within the ten eligible categories listed below:

1. Neighborhood Beautification: Cleanup projects, landscape/aesthetic improvement projects, community gardens/benches, exterior painting on clusters of homes.
2. Neighborhood Identification Projects: Community banners, unified address plaques & uniformed address numbers, uniformed mailboxes.
3. Festivals and Special Events: National Night Out, Cultural festivals, Community Day, Community Cares Day.
4. Neighborhood Organizing and Sustainability: Projects promoting neighborhood unification, obtaining 501(c)(3) designation (incorporated groups only), newsletters, and community organizing events related to neighborhood revitalization.
5. Neighborhood Outreach and Capacity Building: Community bulletin boards, yard signs, newsletters, neighborhood based events and celebrations.
6. Public Safety and Crime Prevention: Crime watch projects and crime prevention events.
7. Community Gardens: Community Gardens, butterfly gardens and community cookbooks.
8. Neighborhood Green Projects: Community tool library, recycling events for electronics, appliances, etc., lake and canal improvements.
9. Emergency Preparedness: Creation of a neighborhood directory and neighborhood preparedness tool kits.
10. Other: Little Free Libraries, minor playground improvements, benches, gazebos, pavilions.

Delegation of authority to the County Administrator or designee for approval of minor changes to scopes of work that don't exceed the awarded grant funding will allow grantees to make minor adjustments to the projects' scope of work, if needed, without the need of BCC approval. BCC approval of the Agreements and delegation of authority are recommended.

FY2021 NEAT Grant Program Funding Recommendations

#	District	Applicant	Project	Recommended Funding Amount
1	1	Cabana Colony Residents League, Inc.	Address Plaque Project	\$6,000
2	1	Cabana Colony Residents League, Inc.	Address Yard Sign Project	\$9,500
3	1	Limestone Creek Advocates, Inc.	Park Enhancement Project	\$8,000
4	1	Limestone Creek Advocates, Inc.	Life Safety and Emergency Preparedness Project	\$10,000
5	2	Cannongate Property Owner's Association, Inc.	Security Enhancement Project	\$10,000
6	2	Cannongate Property Owner's Association, Inc.	Parking Re-Striping Project	\$10,000
7	2	Cannongate Property Owner's Association, Inc.	Bulletin Board Project	\$10,000
8	2	Community Faith Outreach Ministries, Inc.	Community Garden Expansion Project	\$10,000
9	5	Country Club Acres Association, Inc.	Welcome Wall and Lighting Project	\$10,000
10	5	Country Club Acres Association, Inc.	Lighting and Landscaping Project	\$10,000
11	6	Student Aces, Inc.	High Impact Security Door Project	\$10,000
12	6	The Arc of the Glades, Inc.	Feeding the Hungry Project	\$6,500
13	1,2&3	PBSO District 3 Community Policing Unit	Multipurpose Trailer Project	\$9,500
14	1,2&3	PBSO District 3 Community Policing Unit	Community Equipment Project	\$10,000
15	All	Paint Your Heart Out Palm Beach County, Inc.	Painting and Beautification Project	\$10,000
16	All	Rebuilding Together of the Palm Beaches, Inc.	Home Repair Project	\$10,000
Total				\$149,500