PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: May	2, 2023	[X] []	Consent Ordinance		Regular Public Hearing
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American Associati	on of Retired Pom (SCSEP), for the	ersons ne peric	(AARP) Fo od May 3, 202	undatio 3 throu	a Host Agency Agreement with th on, Inc., Senior Community Servic ugh May 2, 2026, to place seniors wit and abilities.
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Approved By:	_UX		4		4/14/2023
	Assistant Coun	īty Adr	ministrator		Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

	Fiscal Years	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027		
	Capital Expenditures							
	Operating Costs							
	External Revenue							
	Program Income							
	In-Kind Match (County)							
	NET FISCAL IMPACT							
	# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)							
Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes _ No \underline{X} Does this item include the use of federal funds Yes _ No \underline{X}								
Budget Account No.: Fund DeptUnitObject Program CodeProgram Period								
B.	Recommended Sources of	of Funds/Su	mmary of Fisc	al Impact:				
	No County funds are required.							
C.	Departmental Fiscal Revi	Julie Do	owe, Director, F			ices		
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B.	Legal Sufficiency: Allene C. Hound Senior Assistant County At	4-13-23 torney						
C.	Other Department Review	<i>r</i> :						
	Department Director							
	This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.							

-AARD Senior Community Service Employment Program

HOST AGENCY AGREEMENT

This agreement is made on this day of ,20 , by and between Palm Beach County, a Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, by and through its Board of Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as Host Agency, and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Foundation, Inc. a/k/a AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), a non-profit corporation authorized to do business in the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as AARP.

In consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the Host Agency and AARP agree as follows:

The above named agency/organization, an equal employment opportunity employer, requests the services of enrollees from the AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Employment Agency. This term of this agreement shall be for three years beginning May 3, 2023 and ending May 2, 2026.

This Agency Is:

A Non-Profit Organization (Tax exempt under the Internal Revenue code 501(c)(3)

Participant Supervisor(s)
Compensated With Federal Funds

A Public Organization

Participant Suparvisor(s) NOT Compensated With Federal Funds

The purpose of this agreement is for the host agency and AARP Foundation to enter into a joint engagement in the SCSEP, under which a participant receives training in a community service assignment while actively pursuing unsubsidized employment. The host agency agrees to provide meaningful training and work experience to the participant(s) in exchange for federally subsidized community service hours by AARP Foundation.

To ensure our host agency partners understand their important rote in the daily lives of SCSEP participants and their responsibilities in supporting each participant's goals to enhance or learn new skills and to obtain unsubsidized employment, we ask that each host agency supervisor clearly understand and support the following agency and participant requirements in this agreement:

- t)The host agency agrees to support SCSEP objectives and will give consideration to hiring participant(s) in permanent employment positions(s), at the sole discretion of the Host Agency, if a vacancy arises for which the participant is deemed to be qualified by the Host Agency.
- 2) The host agency acknowledges that AARP Foundation may reassign participant(s) at any time in accordance with SCSEP rules, regulations, and policies. AARP Foundation acknowledges that participation as a host agency is voluntary and agrees to honor any host agency request in writing to reassign participants for any lawful reason.
- 3) It is understood that the purpose of the SCSEP is for a participant to provide community service while they actively pursue training and unsubsidized employment off of the program. When a participant enrolls and/or gets a job off the program they may lose their public benefits. These benefits may include, but are not limited to: Public Housing, Food Stamps, SSI/SSD, and Medicaid.

- 4)It is understood that participants may miss some hours at the host agency assignment in order to pursue training and unsubsidized employment that is provided outside of the host agency. Participants may be required by AARP Foundation SCSEP to complete programmatic activities and tasks which may include:
 - Accept referrals and interviews for employment outside the program;
 - Conduct an ongoing search for unsubsidized employment as specified in the individual Employment Plan (IEP) and as directed by an AARP Foundation representative;
 - Accept regular transfers to other host agency assignments as necessary to further the participant's training and work experience;
 - Register and maintain registration with the State Employment Service and/or One Stop Center;
 - Attend job search training, job clubs, participant meetings, etc., when offered by the AARP Foundation
 office, and engage in continuing unsubsidized job search activities.
- 5) It is understood that The SCSEP is short-term, work-training to prepare participants for unsubsidized employment off of the program. The SCSEP is not an entitlement, nor is it designed to solely provide income maintenance. SCSEP participants are in training status, preparing for unsubsidized employment.
- 6) When practical, the Host Agency agrees to provide additional training support to their participants by allowing participants to utilize the Agency's computers and Internet access for designated job search training and to complete online job search activities.
- 7) It is understood that training with the host agency is a short-term opportunity. Participation in the SCSEP is NOT a job, and participants are NOT employees of either the AARP Foundation or the host agency where they are temporarily assigned.
- 8) It is understood that AARP Foundation SCSEP does not conduct background checks or drug screening on participants. Host agencies may conduct background checks and drug screenings in their sole and exclusive discretion and in accordance with applicable law. The AARP Foundation SCSEP is not financially or otherwise responsible for any costs, expenses or claims associated with background checks or drug screenings.
- 9) The host agency agrees to have or obtain reliable technology services that would anable it to receive and send participant *Time & Attendance Reports* to and from the AARP Foundation office. Reliable technology services are those that can produce readable documents not overly dark, overly fight, blurred, or otherwise unreadable by an objectively reasonable standard. Without reliable electronic transmittal of Time and Attendance Reports, AARP Foundation SCSEP cannot provide participant stipend payments for those trained hours under SCSEP regulations and must place participants at an alternative agency.
- 10 The host agency agrees to provide supervision, training, and a safe work environment for each assigned participant. The host agency also agrees to the provisions outlined in the *Participant and Host Agency Handbook* as a condition of participation in the SCSEP, including AARP Foundation SCSEP's policies prohibiting discrimination, workplace violence, and harassment. Host agencies agree and acknowledge that, while on-site at the Host Agency, participants are under the direct control and supervision of the Host Agency and that the Host Agency will permit participants to conduct any tasks that qualify for payment under the program, which the participant is qualified to conduct, at the sole discretion of the Host Agency. AARP Foundation will not assign job-training tasks to any participant pursuant to this Agreement.
- 11) The host agency agrees to respond to the host agency customer satisfaction survey that is issued by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) if randomly selected and acknowledges that completion of the survey influences continued DOL funding of the SCSEP grant. This survey is generally sent out in January, but liming is at the discretion of DOL.
- 12) Pursuant to SCSEP regulations, AARP Foundation, as a program administrator, is responsible for providing workers' compensation insurance for all participants, in accordance with state and federal law. The host agency is responsible for maintaining a safe working environment for participants during their normal course of duties; and to ensure that proper equipment, procedures, and safe practices are used in compliance with state and federal law. The Host Agency recognizes that if a safety violation involving a SCSEP participant occurs on the premises, AARP Foundation expects Host Agency to follow safety notification protocols as it would for its own employees. AARP Foundation has the right to coordinate onsite safety inspections with the host agency to insure that work procedures, equipment and practices are used to protect the safety of participants. If the host agency fails to adhere to reasonable safe working practices, AARP Foundation has the right to terminate the agreement for cause and for the protection of the participants.

The host agency must keep the following key safety issues in mind at all times:

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- No lifting over 20 pounds
- No step stools or ladders
- Participants may not drive as part of their assignment.
- Participants must always be supervised
- 13) No participant is authorized to drive as part of his or her assignment.
- 14) Each party to this agreement shall be liable for its own actions and negligence. Nothing stated herein shall constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity beyond the limits set forth at Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. These provisions shall not be construed to constitute agreement by either party to indemnify the other for such other's negligent, willful or intentional acts or omissions. No provision of this agreement is intended to, or shall be construed to, create any third party beneficiary or to provide any rights to any person or entity not a party to this agreement, including but not limited to any citizen, participants in the SCSEP, or employees of the Host Agency.
- 15) It is understood that the AARP Foundation's SCSEP is federally funded and is required to maintain documentation (timesheets) to substantiate the expenditure of federal funds for wages. It is also understood and agreed to that AARP Foundation SCSEP shall pay the wages of a wage stipend to participants assigned to the host agency within the limits expressly set out by SCSEP regulation and communicated to host agency at the onset of participant placement. The host agency shall not permit or instruct participant(s) to perform Work beyond such limits or require participant to perform unpaid or volunteer work as part of the participant's assignment.

If the host agency permits participant(s) to perform work exceeding authorized hours, or to return to community service training assignments without prior authorization from AARP Foundation representative or past the participant's termination date, host agency shall compensate participant(s) for such time. The host agency agrees to verify, sign and return accurately completed timesheets to AARP Foundation SCSEP for processing. Timesheets must be signed by the individual participant and by a responsible supervisory official having first-hand knowledge of the hours worked by the participant.

- 16) It is understood that host agency must not use participants as substitutes for permanent employees. Federal regulations prohibit such a "maintenance of effort." Participants are additions to, not substitutes for, regular agency staff. A community service assignment for a participant under Title V of the Older Americans Act is permissible only If the assignment does not:
 - Reduce the number of employment opportunities or vacancies that would otherwise be available to individuals who are not SCSEP participants;
 - Displace currently employed workers (including partial displacement, such as a reduction in the hours of non-overtime work, wages, or employment benefits); Impair existing contracts or result in the substitution of Federal funds for other funds in connection with

 - work that would otherwise be performed; and Assign or continue to assign an SOSEP participant to perform the same work or substantially the same work as that performed by any other individual who is on layoff.
- 17) The host agency supervisor will be listed on the Time Altendance Report in SCSEP records accessible by the DOL. If there are changes to a participant's supervisor, the AARP Foundation SCSEP office must be notified so that the information can be updated in the databases.
- 18) It is understood that all participant(s) records are subject to the Privacy Act, 5U.S.C. § 552a and neither party shall release records without written release signed by participant(s) or otherwise in accordance with law.
- 19) The host agency shall maintain all records, including original or copies of participant(s) timesheets, relating to this agreement for a period of four years. The host agency shall retain original participant(s) time sheets if faxed or electronically sent to AARP Foundation for payment. AARP Foundation or the DOL, through any authorized representative, shall have access to and the right to examine all records related to this agreement.
- 20) It is understood that either party may terminate this agreement at any time for any reason upon notification to the other party.
- 21) It is understood that any amendment, modification, or addendum to this agreement including changes or modifications to training assignments, must be made by mutual consent of the parties, in writing, signed and dated by both parties, prior to assignment of participant(s) to host agency or any changes being performed.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida has made and executed this Contract on behalf of the HOST AGENCY and AARP Foundation, Inc. has hereunto set his/her hand the day and year above written.

ATTEST:						
Joseph Abruzzo Clerk and Comptroller	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS					
BY	Gregg K, Weiss Mayor					
	AARP FOUNDATION, INC. a/k/a AARP Foundation SCSEP					
	Jami Wyatt					
	BY AARP Foundation, Inc. Signatory					
	Corporate Secretary of the Foundation					
	AARP Foundation, Inc.'s Signatory Title Typed					
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY	APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS					
Helene C. Hvizd BF30F20B2223413	Tanuna Malliotra					
Assistant County Attorney	Taruna Malhotra, Assistant Director Community Services Department					

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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

7/1/2023

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 7/26/2022

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

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