

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: January 23, 2024

Consent

Regular

Workshop

Public Hearing

Department: Office of Equal Opportunity

Submitted By: Office of Equal Opportunity

Submitted For: Fair Housing Board

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: Contracts for the Handicap Accessibility and Awareness Grant Program with the non-profit agencies listed below, as of the date of approval of the contract by the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) through September 30, 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$11,750:

- A. A Contract with CareerSource Palm Beach County, to provide funding to purchase assistive technology to increase access to their services to persons with disabilities to find and obtain employment, in an amount not to exceed \$6,500; and
- B. A Contract with National Federation of the Blind of Florida, Inc., to provide funding to blind and visually impaired individuals to cover the costs of attending conferences or seminars to obtain access to information which would assist them in quality independent living, job training and technology information, in an amount not to exceed \$5,250.

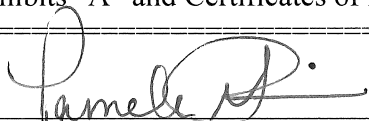
Summary: On July 2, 2019, the BCC adopted Ordinance 2019-027 which included a provision for the Fair Housing Board to review proposals and make recommendations on the award of the programs budgeted grant funds. Through a competitive application process, the Fair Housing Board reviewed responsive proposals submitted by non-profit agencies in conformance with the ordinance and established program guidelines to support the recommendation to fund the agencies listed above. Funding for the program was approved in the FY 2024 budget. Countywide (JW)

Background and Justification: On July 2, 2019, the BCC adopted Ordinance 2019-027 which included a provision for the Fair Housing Board to review proposals and make recommendations on the award of grant funds. The Fair Housing Board and the Office of Equal Opportunity concur on the recommendations and funding amounts.

Attachments:

- 1. Contracts (w/Exhibits "A" and Certificates of Insurance)

Recommended by:


Department Director

21 December 2023.
Date

Approved by:


Assistant County Administrator

1/9/2024
Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	<u>11,750</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
NET FISCAL IMPACT	<u>11,750</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____

ADDITIONAL FTE
POSITIONS (Cumulative) 0 0 0 0 0

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes x No _____
Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes _____ No x
Is Item using State Funds? Yes _____ No x

Budget Account No.: Fund 0001 Agency 400 Org 4251 Object 8201

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

The Office of Equal Opportunity’s Handicapped Program has an annual cost of \$125,725 for FY2024. These costs are \$75,710 for salary and benefits for one staff person, \$20,015 for operating expenses and distribution of \$30,000 to community organizations by the Fair Housing Board through the Office of Equal Opportunity.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:

III. REVIEW COMMENTS:

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

<p><i>ASD</i> 12/21/23 OFMB <i>GA</i> <i>WIA</i> <i>EdW</i> 12-21-23</p>	<p><i>Sony M. Amem</i> 1/3/24 Contract Dev. and Control</p>
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B. Legal Sufficiency:

Jean-Adel Williams
Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

_____ Department Director

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