



DeKalb County Government

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1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Agenda Item

File ID: 2020-1241

Substitute

10/13/2020

Public Hearing: YES NO

Department: Board of Commissioners

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All Districts

A Resolution to Appropriate Federal CORONAVIRUS Relief Fund proceeds of \$760,000 assigned to Grant Fund #258 (POETA Account 105424.63258.521209.01.06.602313) reserved for District 6 Appropriations to the Community Based Organizations (CBOs) listed in Appendix A of the Resolution included for community distribution and other purposes of maintaining food security, assistance with rent/mortgage, PPE protection, opioid treatment, health prevention, specialized care, and virtual learning assistance for students, and the community at large who have been severely by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Information Contact: Commissioner Kathie Gannon

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PURPOSE:

To approve a Resolution to Appropriate Federal CORONAVIRUS Relief Fund Proceeds of \$760,000 Assigned to Grant Fund #258 (POETA Account 105424.63258.521209.01.06.602313) reserved for District 6 Appropriations to the Community Based Organizations (CBOs) listed in Appendix A of the Resolution included.

NEED/IMPACT:

Public relief is needed to counter the impact of the Coronavirus. This District 6 CARES ACT Funding from Grant Fund #258 (POETA Account 105424.63258.521209.01.06.602313) will place resources with Community Service Organizations (CBO's) to provide relief and support to District 6 citizens and the community at large that have been severely impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The funding will come from District 6 CARES ACT Funding from Grant Fund #258 and be appropriated to the following Community Based Organizations included in Appendix A of the Resolution included.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the appropriated District 6 Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund proceeds of \$760,000 assigned to Grant Fund #258, (POETA Account 105424.63258.521209.01.06.602313) as provided in Appendix A of the resolution included.

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WHEREAS, On March 27, 2020 the US Government passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”) for the purpose of providing fast and direct economic assistance for American workers and families, small businesses, and preserve jobs for American industries, and

WHEREAS, Under the CARES Act DeKalb County was awarded a federal grant of \$125,341,475.20 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF), and

WHEREAS, the county received \$125,341,475.20 on April 24, 2020 and,

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2020 the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia accepted \$125,341,475.20 in Federal COVID-19 CRF funds, assigned for accounting purposes to COVID-19 Grant Fund #258, reserved for appropriation; and

WHEREAS, eligible expenditures are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID19 public health emergency and includes the provision of economic support as more fully described in Treasury Department Guidance dated April 22, 2020 and subsequently updated, and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority of DeKalb County desires to make CRF funding available for the purposes of Maintaining Security for DeKalb affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and to provide PPE to CBOs for the purpose of community distribution and other purposes, and

WHEREAS, DeKalb County is served by community-based organizations (CBOs) with a mission and experience in accomplishing the above referenced objectives using private and public funds, and

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the 2020 DeKalb County Budget is amended to appropriate proceeds of \$760,000, reserved for District 6 Appropriations from Grant Fund #258 (POETA Account 105424.63258.521209.01.06.602313) of grants as enumerated in Appendix A, to provide direct relief within DeKalb County for purpose of providing economic relief from the effects of the Covid-19 crisis, consistent with Federal regulation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the CBOs listed in Appendix A must submit a budget or list of expenses that comply with the CARES Act prior to the release of funds from DeKalb to the CBO. The budget or list of expenses must be provided to the District 6 Commissioner and the COO for review prior to the release of funds to these CBOs. Furthermore, this list must be provided to the Commissioner and COO by October 15th or the funds may be reprogrammed, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Governing Authority of DeKalb County directs the Executive Assistant to create a standard report for the CBOs to use to report back their qualified expenditures for the purpose of maintaining regulatory compliance with the CARES Act, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the above referenced grants shall be dispersed within 10 days of the approval of this resolution.

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this _____ day of

STEVE BRADSHAW
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this _____ day of _____, 2020.

MICHAEL L. THURMOND
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

BARBARA SANDERS-NORWOOD, CCC, CMC
Clerk to the
Board of Commissioners and
Chief Executive Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

VIVIANE H. ERNSTES
County Attorney

District 6 CARES Act Funding Appropriations- Appendix A

District 6 CARES ACT Funding of \$760,000 from Grant Fund #258 (POETA Account 105424.63258.521209.01.06.602313) and be appropriated to the following Community Based Organizations:

- **DeKalb Department of Family and Children's Services**- \$70,000 for assistance with 80 indigent burials due to increase in burials related to Covid-19 which has depleted the existing Burial Fund.
- **The Elaine Clark Center**- \$122,000 for scholarships, staffing, nursing care, PPE, and equipment to help meet the increased needs of special needs children and youth served remotely, in person, or at the Center, due to inability to participate in traditional virtual learning in their homes.
- **DeKalb Medical Examiner's Office**- \$70,000 for requested funding to funeral homes handling the increases in Covid-19 death services.
- **I CARE**- \$12,500 to assist with the increasing medical transportation and grocery delivery services to senior citizens who have been affected by limitations caused by Covid-19 and PPE for volunteer drivers.
- **Malachi Storehouse** - \$25,500 to assist with for food supplies, heating lamps and propane, gloves and warmers, PPE and related supplies for indigent, until the end of the year and toward reimbursement for the same expenses since March/April.
- **St Vincent de Paul** - \$35,000 for truck replacement for DeKalb County's largest food pantry.
- **Boys and Girls Clubs in DeKalb** \$50,000 to assist with equipment and technology needs and support to provide distance learning services for families impacted by Covid-19 related issues.
- **DeKalb County Board of Health** - \$62,500 for the purpose of targeted messaging of Covid-19 related public education to LatinX/Asian Communities in District 6.
- **Toco Hills Community Alliance**- \$37,500 for assistance replacing a commercial freezer used to store perishables that are donated through their food pantry to meet Covid 19 related demands.
- **DeKalb Community Service Board**- \$200,000 for assistance maintaining bed space and services for opioid treatment and services that have increased due to Covid-19 related issues.
- **Physicians Care Clinic**- \$25,000 for assistance in keeping "DeKalb healthy and safe" with funding for Covid 19 related medical needs and telemedicine for patients that are high-risk to Covid 19 complications.

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- **International Rescue Committee-** \$20,000 for to emergency rental/mortgage and utility assistance for community members who test positive and then need that assistance to comply with the necessary isolation/quarantine protocols.
- **Our House-** \$20,000 for assistance with Covid 19 related funding needs for virtual distance learning capability and activities for shelter children.
- **Lifeline Animal Project/DeKalb County Animal Shelter-**\$10,000- for support to a Covid-19 initiative to provide medical services and resources so DeKalb County constituents are able to meet their own critical basic needs of food and shelter without having to abandon pet “family members.”