



## Legislation Text

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**Public Hearing:** YES  NO

**Department:** Board of Commissioners - District 2

**SUBJECT:**

**Commission District(s):** District 2

Appropriation of \$10,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserves for Appropriation for the Wylde Center's Environmental Education Programming for School Children Focusing on Title 1 Schools

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**PURPOSE:**

To appropriate \$10,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserves for Appropriation for the Wylde Center's Environmental Education Programming for school children focusing on Title 1 Schools.

**NEED/IMPACT:**

The mission of the Wylde Center is to support resilient communities by connecting people with nature through environmental education and public greenspace. The environmental education program focuses on under-resourced communities and Title 1 schools where youth lack access to safe outdoor recreation, and fresh fruits and vegetables. Students develop skills in environmental science, organic gardening, health and nutrition. Programs are accessible and abundant, culminating in over 23,000 student interactions each year at Wylde Center gardens, and building environmental awareness, support for community gardening, and connecting students with the natural world. 73% of the Wylde Center's education programs are offered at no cost to ensure they reach low-income communities where children lack access to greenspace and fresh food. The Wylde Center also provides in-school programming to 20+ schools in the City Schools of Decatur and Atlanta Public Schools, after school programming and field trips.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase appropriations for the following account by the amount indicated below:

Non-Departmental - General Fund - Other Miscellaneous Payments (09110.573009.100.0000.0000) - \$10,000

Decrease appropriations for the following account by the amount indicated below:

Non-Departmental - General Fund - Reserve for Appropriation (09110.579002.100.0000.0000) - \$10,000

**RECOMMENDATION:**

To approve the appropriation of \$10,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserve for Appropriation for the

Wylde Center's Environmental Education Programming for school children focusing on Title 1 schools and authorize the chief executive officer to execute all necessary documents.