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Legislation Text

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Public Hearing: YES NO **Department:** Community Development

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All

2020 CDBG Youth Set-Aside Fund for Summer Voucher Program

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PURPOSE:

To consider approving the 2020 implementation process for utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that have been designated for Youth Programs in the amount not to exceed \$100,000 and to authorize the Finance Department to make payments to the Board of Health, who will assist in administering the program.

NEED/IMPACT:

CDBG funds will provide expanded opportunities for youth from low-moderate income families to participate in positive recreational and educational programs during the summer utilizing the Summer Voucher Program. This program will be available to youth from families who are at 80% or less of the median family income. Eighty percent of the median family income for a family of four is \$63,750 in 2019*.

*(DeKalb County Community Development has not received the HUD income limits for program year, 2020. The 2019 income limits for 80% or less of the median family income will be used for the Summer Voucher Program for 2020 if new income limits are not released prior to May 2020).

Implementation of a voucher system for recreational and educational programs will empower the families to select programs of their choice from a list of pre-approved participating agencies. This implementation process will maximize the number of youth served by the program. In 2020, the program served approximately 478 youth; utilizing over 25 program providers.

FISCAL IMPACT:

At no cost to the County, 2019 CDBG funds will be used for the administration of the 2020 Summer Voucher Program.

\$100,000 - (CDBG funds and CDBG program income)

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the 2020 implementation process for utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that will be designated for Youth Programs in the amount not to exceed \$100,000; and authorize the Finance Department to make payments to the Board of Health which will assist in administering the program.