

DeKalb County Government

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Legislation Text

File #: 2023-1439, Version: 1		

Public Hearing: YES □ **NO** ☒ **Department:** Board of Commissioners - District 6

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): District 6 and District 3

To Transfer \$46,000 from the District 6 Reserve for Appropriation to Support John Robert Lewis Elementary School in the United Way AARP Experience Corp to Assist with Critical Reading Proficiency Efforts

Information Contact: Commissioner Edward C. "Ted" Terry

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PURPOSE:

To approve the transfer of \$46,000 from the District 6 reserve for appropriations to the United Way of Greater Atlanta's AARP Experience Corps to pilot this much is needed reading program to ensure John Robert Lewis Elementary students have a chance to increase their reading proficiency and thus their opportunity to graduate from high school, secure jobs and/or higher education. This has been confirmed as a Title 1 School with a 37% of students at or above the proficient level for reading.

NEED/IMPACT:

AARP Foundation Experience Corps is a community-based volunteer program that empowers people over 50 to serve as tutors to help students become better readers by the end of third grade. It is a proven "triple win," helping students succeed, older adults thrive, and communities grow stronger.

The program ensures volunteer success through extensive training, peer networks, and ongoing evaluation. Experience Corps employs a structured, evidence-based model that improves the overall reading ability of students by building their fluency, accuracy, and comprehension skills. This funding equivalates providing approximately 30 K-3 students:

Line Item	Description	Cost
Site Coordinator	School based Coordinator	\$10,000
Volunteer	Fingerprinting/Background Checks Equipment	\$6,000
School Operations	Technology/Equipment Supplies	\$7,500
Training	Program Staff and Volunteers	\$4,500
Student/Family Engagement	Books/Supplies/Incentives Parent Workshops	\$5,000
Scholarships (Afterschool)	Subsidized cost for students of AARP Program	\$6,100
Administrative Cost (15%)		\$6,900

FISCAL IMPACT: D6 Reserve for Appropriations General Fund D6 Youth Initiatives

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

Non-Departmental - General Fund - Other Miscellaneous Payments (09110.573099.100.0000.0000) - \$46,000

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

Non-Departmental - General Fund - Reserve for Appropriation (09110.579002.100.0000.0000) - \$46,000

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RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the requested D6 Reserve for appropriation to the United Way of Greater Atlanta and authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to execute all necessary documents.