



DeKalb County Government

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Legislation Text

File #: 2021-2385, Version: 1

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

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): All

2021 CDBG Youth Set-Aside Funds for Summer Voucher Program - Not to Exceed \$100,000

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PURPOSE:

To consider approving the 2021 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 (\$100,000) 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 \$66,150 in 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 participating agencies. This implementation process will maximize the number of youth served by the program. In 2019, the program served approximately 478 youth: utilizing over 25 program providers. However, in 2020 during the COVID-19 Pandemic, the program served approximately 237 youth: utilizing approximately 10 programs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Cost to the County

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the 2021 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.