



Legislation Text

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Public Hearing: YES NO

Department: Board of Commissioners - District 5

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): District 5

An item to allocate \$600,000 of the American Rescue Plan funds, reserved for District 5 appropriations to the Community Based Organizations (CBO's) listed within for the purposes of eviction forbearance, utility and water billing assistance, and other administrative costs

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PURPOSE:

On July 31, 2021, the federal moratorium on evictions ended. The purpose of this agenda item is to allocate funding to First African CDC, DeKalb County NAACP, and the Georgia Coalition for the Peoples Agenda of the American Rescue Plan funds to assist with eviction forbearance, utility and water billing assistance, and other administrative costs.

NEED/IMPACT:

Many families have lost their primary source of income because of the COVID - 19 pandemic and have fallen significantly behind in mortgage and other utility payments. As a result, many families are experiencing the reality of possible evictions and/or disconnection of utilities. This allocation will keep many families from being displaced and provide needed assistance DeKalb County's citizens.

FISCAL IMPACT:

To allocate:

\$200,000 to First African Community Development Corporation - \$150,000 of the allocation must be used for the purposes of Eviction Forbearance and the remaining \$50,000 can be used for Utility and Water Billing Assistance, and other administrative costs.

\$200,000 to DeKalb County NAACP - \$150,000 of the allocation must be used for the purposes of Eviction Forbearance and the remaining \$50,000 can be used for Utility and Water Billing Assistance, and other administrative costs.

\$200,000 to The Georgia Coalition for the People's Agenda - \$150,000 of the allocation must be used for the purposes of Eviction Forbearance and the remaining \$50,000 can be used for Utility and Water Billing Assistance, and other administrative costs.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the resolution and authorize the chief executive officer to execute all necessary documents.