



# DeKalb County Government

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## Legislation Text

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**Public Hearing:** YES  NO  **Department:** Board of Commissioners - District 2

**SUBJECT:**

**Commission District(s):** All Commission Districts

Appropriation of \$24,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserve Funding for the DeKalb Police Athletic League (PAL) Inc. PLUS Programming for the Female Empowerment and Swimming

**Information Contact:** Commissioner Michelle Long Spears

**Phone Number:** 404-371-2863

**PURPOSE:**

To appropriate \$24,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserve Funding for the DeKalb County Police Athletic League (PAL) Inc. PLUS programming for the female empowerment and swimming.

**NEED/IMPACT:**

PAL Inc. is a charitable non-profit organization, whose goal is to have a positive impact on the youth of DeKalb County with its primary focus to provide a “safe-haven” for kids and support their growth. PAL Inc. utilizes preventative programming and activities to combat juvenile crime as it effects all of DeKalb County and its residents, businesses, and visitors. DeKalb youth are vulnerable to crime, drug use, and suicide attributed to the short and long-term effects of COVID. DeKalb County PAL Inc. PLUS programming has incorporated a combination of education, athletic and crime prevention initiatives. The Female Empowerment program supports young women through life skills, support of positive choices, and conflict resolution. In collaboration with certified YMCA swim instructors, the Swim program equips children with swim instruction and water safety. When youth are involved in healthy, structured, supervised activities, statistics prove that they are less likely to join gangs, get involved with illegal activity or even experience disciplinary problems in school. Through the structured PAL Inc. PLUS activities, our youth develop self-respect, respect for authority, and pride in their community.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

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

Non-Departmental - General Fund - Other Miscellaneous Payments (09110.573099.100.0000.0000) - \$24,000

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

Non-Departmental - General Fund - Reserve for Appropriation (09110.579002.100.0000.0000) - \$24,000

**RECOMMENDATION:**

To approve the appropriation of \$24,000 from the 2024 District 2 Youth Reserve Funding for the DeKalb County Police Athletic League (PAL) Inc. PLUS programming for female empowerment and swimming and authorize the chief executive officer to execute all necessary documents.