

DeKalb County Government

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Legislation Text

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

SUBJECT:

Commission District(s): ALL

2019 CDBG Youth Set-Aside Fund for Summer Voucher Program

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PURPOSE:

To consider approving the 2019 implementation process for utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that have been designated for Youth Programs in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 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 \$59,850 based on 2018 HUD income limits. 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 2018, the program served approximately 569 youth; utilizing over 25 program providers.

FISCAL IMPACT:

2018 CDBG funds will be utilized. No cost to the County.

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the 2019 implementation process for utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that will be designated for Youth Programs in an amount not to exceed \$200,000; and authorize the Finance Department to make payments to the Board of Health which will assist in administering the program.